

NO ADDITIONAL TEACHER

Committee of School Board Reports in Opposition to Another Teacher on West Side—Other Business.

Ten members out of the total of twelve attended the board of education meeting, Monday evening, those present being Dr. E. M. Rogers, R. A. Cook, W. S. Young, F. J. Blood, L. R. Anderson, Frank Boyer, Dr. Paster-nacki, C. W. Dittman, C. W. Simonson and Simpson Todd. Treas. Anderson reported that he had received \$500 from the state treasurer, the same being reported for "school aid." A communication from a fire escape manufacturing firm, who make a spiral chute, was read and one may be secured when the new addition to the High school is erected. The clerk reported that he had received the sum of \$35.19 for tuition, etc., the money being turned over to the treasurer.

Mr. Anderson, chairman of the committee on teachers, officially reported that Miss Louise Scott had verbally tendered him her resignation as a kindergarten teacher, and that Miss Louise Kollock had been secured in her place at the same salary, \$50 per month. Miss Kollock, whose parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Kollock, live near Bancroft, has had an experience of about two years at this work. The resignation was accepted and the report adopted.

Mr. Anderson further stated that the committee on teachers, to whom had been referred the question of securing another teacher for the West Side school, cannot recommend any change for the present. There are only ten children there who would go to another teacher, and these now attend the First ward school, which is not as far from their homes as many other children who attend other schools have to travel. To hire a teacher for ten pupils would mean an expense of \$5 per month for each. Then again there is no vacant room in the West Side building, the deaf department occupying one of the two rooms in the building, and no suitable place could be found to transfer the latter school.

Some suggestion had been made, Mr. Anderson said, to hire a conveyance to carry the children to and from the West Side during the winter months, and to Mr. Simonson had been delegated the work of seeing what could be done. The latter reported that he had met with no success, but two or three others are figuring on the proposition. Messrs. Dittman, Blood, Young and other members objected to the latter proposal and it will probably not be resubmitted.

The board by a unanimous vote decided to have steam heat in the new 2d ward building and the clerk said he would inform the architect at once. The clerk was authorized to advertise for bids for the old building, the same not to include the furnace and stone foundation.

Supt. Roberts invited the board to be present at the debate to be given at the High school next Friday evening between Carl Pfiffner, Jas. Hull and Edmund Formella, representing the local school, and Albert Mohr, Walter Reinholdt and Paul Tobey of the Wausau High school. The question to be debated is: "Resolved, That the Wisconsin state income tax should be repealed." The local team will take the affirmative side of the question. The invitation was accepted, after which the board adjourned.

Poor Farm Committee.

D. W. Sawyer of Belmont, H. H. Beggs of Almond and F. M. Playman of this city were selected as a committee to take charge of the poor farm for the ensuing year at last Wednesday afternoon's meeting of the county board. The members were selected one at a time, Mr. Sawyer winning out on the first formal ballot as first choice, but it required several ballots to make the second and third choices, Mr. Beggs and Mr. Playman finally winning in the order named.

Asks Some Pertinent Questions.

G. M. Dahl, a former well known attorney of this city, who is now with the Electric Bond and Share Co., 71 Broadway, New York, addressed a letter to The Gazette the other day asking that the label on his paper be changed to 720 Riverside Drive, and concludes as follows: "Your valuable paper is so loaded with news that I want to relieve myself of the weight of carrying it from my office to my house, inasmuch as after I have read it, my wife does not give me a very kind reception unless I bring it home. I suppose you are considerably pleased over the results of the last election. I have not noticed that you are as yet a candidate to any appointive office. What is the matter with you? Are you not feeling well? I supposed every Democrat in Portage county would now be a candidate for some office or other."

County Treasurer's Report.

Report of moneys received and disbursed during the past month:

Cash in treasury Nov. 1, 1912.....	\$ 33,441.09
Received during the month.....	2,455.27
Total.....	\$ 35,896.36
DISBURSEMENTS	
Road fund orders.....	\$ 5,104.52
Court certificates.....	9,955.97
County orders.....	1,734.33
Poor Farm.....	470.94
T. H. Hanna, treas. Dancy.....	402.04
Drainage.....	95.00
Soldiers Relief orders.....	75.00
County Supt. Salary.....	51.53
City School Library order.....	25.00
Dist. Atty.'s order.....	13.75
Reports on vital statistics.....	8.70
Telephone rent.....	1.00
Portage.....	1.00
Total.....	\$ 11,948.58
In Bank.....	\$23,947.78
Cash on hand.....	51.40
Balance in treasury Dec. 1, 1912.....	\$23,999.18

Clears Thousands of Acres.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike McMann, who have been at Coddington for several months, the former since last spring, arrived in the city Monday evening to remain during the winter. Mr. McMann had charge of a crew of between thirty and forty men who were engaged in clearing the marsh lands, having cleared about 1,300 acres this season, the work being done for W. B. Coddington. Two other contractors were engaged at the same line of work, about 3,500 acres being cleared and broke ready for crops next spring. Bumper crops were raised last season, and the one-time practically worthless Buena Vista marsh, now in the Portage county drainage district, is like old wine, improves with age.

A Delightful Reception.

One of the very pleasant social affairs this season was the reception given by Mrs. F. N. Spindler last Friday afternoon in honor of her guests, Mrs. Weaver and Mrs. White of Ohio. The three ladies above named were in the receiving line, as was also Mrs. Ralph Rowe of this city. Those who assisted in serving were Misses Ella Langenberg, Catherine and Margaret Rowe, Stella Murat and Elizabeth Hatch. Coffee was served by Mrs. W. G. Bate, Mrs. M. M. Ames, Mrs. A. E. MacMillan, Mrs. O. J. Lutter, Mrs. W. H. Wilson, and Miss Ellida Moen. Misses Doris Shumway and Elizabeth Hatch met the guests at the door. The rooms were prettily decorated with pink and white chrysanthemums and smilax. Reception hours were from 3 to 6 o'clock, about one hundred ladies being entertained.

Local Notes.

C. H. Cashin leaves this evening for Wausau, where he will spend tomorrow on legal business.

Meehan Pfiffner is spending a few days at Glidden, looking after the interests of the E. J. Pfiffner Lumber Co.

A gold chain to which is attached a locket with monogram engraved thereon, was found on Clark street Tuesday. Owner will please call at this office.

W. W. Mitchell, who fell and broke one of his arms one week ago last Saturday, is about and looking after business interests, but carries the disabled arm in a sling.

One of the most handsomely and artistically holiday decorated stores in the city is that of E. A. Arenberg, the jeweler, which it will be a pleasure for all citizens and those who come to the city to visit.

The program arranged for next Saturday afternoon's meeting of the Woman's Club will consist of a talk by Mayor F. A. Walters on "The Administration of Municipal Affairs," and a cornet solo by F. E. Noble.

Joseph Fierek, who has been at Garretson, S. D., for the past few months, employed in a newspaper office, is at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Aug. Fierek, on Normal avenue, but intends to return to the west later.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Sensor have come here from Waukesha and the gentleman is now manager of Hotel Sellers. E. W. Sellers and family, who have lived at the hotel for several months, are preparing to move back to their home at the corner of Division and Shaurette streets.

J. J. Omernik, the leading merchant at Polonia, was a visitor to town Tuesday. Mr. Omernik owns and occupies a big brick building, divided into three stores or departments, but lately decided that his quarters were too small and has just completed an addition of thirty feet to the rear.

Mrs. E. H. Rogers, accompanied by her mother, Mrs. M. A. Fisk, left for Milwaukee on one of last night's limited trains, where the former will consult the physician who attended her during her recent serious illness with blood poisoning. The ladies will return home tomorrow night.

The Christmas number of the American Magazine, one of this country's leading periodicals, contains "A Kin Story," the three excellent illustrations for which were drawn by Miss Katherine Southwick, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. F. A. Southwick. The young lady is now teaching in a college near Philadelphia.

John E. O'Kray of Milwaukee spent the first of the week with his father, John O'Kray, and among other relatives in town. The Milwaukee gentleman represented the Collier publications for several years but resigned a few days ago and boarded Tuesday morning's train for Minneapolis, where he has a good position in view.

The White Sister.

There is a deluge of dramas on the stage today called problem plays. These dramatic offerings for the most part deal with an unfortunate victim who generally is tricked and coaxed into the primrose path by a villain. Then comes along some gallant who slays the author of the crime and carries away the weeping woman. There is a class of society which delights in such a plot but for the most part the laws which govern the conduct of woman is unrevocable.

These plays generally leave a bad taste. While they are pungent and striking, still they are not just the kind of plays you would like to carry your mother, wife or sister to see. "The White Sister," which comes to the Grand, Friday, December 13, for one performance, is just as clean and pure as its name indicates. It deals with love as no other dramatic offering has dared. The play is a triumph for righteousness and teaches a moral as virulent as a sermon.

INJURIES WERE FATAL

Steve Lewandowski Has Leg Crushed by the Cars Last Friday and Passes Away That Evening.

Stephen Lewandowski, a young man who was born in this city twenty-eight years ago and had always made Stevens Point his home, met with a fatal accident shortly before noon last Friday and passed away a few minutes before 10 o'clock the same night. The accident happened about one-half mile east of Junction City. He had been about the village for a time and had attempted to board an east-bound freight train at that place, but for good and sufficient reasons was prevented from doing so by the local agent. He then followed the train down the track and while it was in motion, attempted to get on board, but missed his footing, his right leg slipping beneath the wheels.

The unfortunate man, unable to move or summon assistance, remained on the ground, exposed to the severity of the weather and bleeding profusely from his crushed and lacerated limb for fully an hour, when he was found by F. Selinski and taken to Junction City, later being placed on board passenger train No. 12 and brought to the Bruce Hotel in this city, where the limb was amputated below the knee. The shock and loss of blood, however, was so great that death was inevitable.

The deceased was a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Lewandowski, pioneer Polish residents of this city, and he is survived by four brothers and four sisters, Jacob, Henry, Frank and Anton Lewandowski, Mrs. John Man-kewicz, Mrs. John Tomczak and Mrs. Joseph Jelinski of this city, and Mrs. Jos. Mankewicz of Plover. Also by three half-sisters and two half-brothers, Mrs. Mary Schermatte, Saskatchewan, Canada; Mrs. Louis Lambert, Reeville, Minn.; Mrs. Simon Melanowski, Polonia; John Lewandowski, Portland, Ore.; and Michael Lewandowski, Cripple Creek, Col.

Will Continue on Road.

Don C. Hall and two sons, Don C., Jr., and Walter R., spent last Wednesday evening in the city, coming up from Endeavor, where they had been filling an engagement. Thursday morning they left for Dale, and later will make a tour of the southern part of the state, the company intending to remain on the road, while Mr. Hall will look after the interests of his constituents as assemblyman from this county. The Messrs. Hall, father and sons, were among those who became members of Stevens Point lodge of Elks on Wednesday evening.

STEVENS POINT NORMAL

Personal and Other Notes Gathered by The Gazette's Special Correspondent.

Miss Olive Anderson of Whitehall will succeed Miss Minnie Johnson as clerk shortly after the holidays. This position falls within the classified civil service of the state.

Mr. Hippensteel, after a week's absence, visiting schools in the eastern part of the state, has again taken charge of his classes. He will soon report his impressions of the work of graduates which he was able to see during the week.

Pres. Sims on Monday morning gave the school a very pleasant account of his last week's trip visiting schools wherein graduates of this school are employed. He visited Marshfield, Eau Claire, Thorpe, Stanley, Merrillan and Neillsville, and reports that the work he saw, was, in the main, worthy of the graduates of this school.

The initial basket ball game of the year will be played on the local Saturday night next, when the strong Marshfield five will meet the locals. This game should give the fans a line on the Normal team of this year, and should therefore be of interest. A victory, even by a close score, should mean a successful season, as the boys have been out less than two weeks, and are only beginning to round into form.

Miss Thena Baker, Niles, Mich., will assume charge of the music department of the school when the work is resumed after the holidays. Miss Baker has had rich experience, having had, among other important charges, the supervision of music in the Niles schools, and a part of the supervisory work in the schools of Chicago. Her training has been of the best, she being a graduate of the Ypsilanti Normal school, and a student under W. L. Tomlins of Chicago. Under such a specialist in public school music, it is expected that the musical activities of the Normal will more than maintain their present high degree of efficiency.

In a spirited contest, held last week, a debating team to represent the Junior class against the Oshkosh Juniors, was selected. On the principle that effectiveness and forcefulness of delivery is the prime requisite of successful debating, and of greater importance even than subject matter, a team was selected that should not only be able to organize a good debate, but to get it to auditors and judges in a convincing manner. The principle of selection that was largely used ruled out some extremely well prepared debaters and some contestants who have most of the essentials of strong debaters; the importance of delivery was very properly emphasized in the decisions of the judges. The team chosen consists of Worth Daffoe, Lillia Johnson and Earl Edes, with Clarence Strand alternate.

HIS CONFIDENCE SHAKEN

Man Who Failed to Guard Against Burglars is Robbed During Temporary Absence of Himself and Wife.

Aug Jerzak resides with his wife and nine children on the east side of the Wausau road, two and one half miles north of the city. This is the old homestead formerly owned and occupied by his parents, and upon which August has lived for 31 years. He has always had implicit confidence in humanity and when retiring at night never locked the doors leading from the outside. In fact one night last week when he and his wife went to console the widow and other members of the family of a friend who had passed away, the home being two miles or more farther north, they did not lock the doors, leaving their children asleep. When they returned at about 1 o'clock in the morning, however, they regretted that they had not done so, as someone had entered the house during their absence and rifled a purse belonging to Mr. Jerzak, securing \$21 in cold cash. The purse had been left in a trousers' pocket, which was suspended from a nail in a closet, and to get the wealth the cloth was slit and the purse extracted. There are strong suspicions as to who the guilty party is, it being someone well acquainted with the habits of the family, and arrests may follow. The sleeping children were not disturbed by the robber or robbers.

Recovering From Operation.

Xavier Kheil, the theological student who underwent an operation at St. Mary's hospital, Milwaukee, the first of last week and whose condition was critical for a few days thereafter, is now well on the road to recovery. His mother, Mrs. John Kheil, is still with him, but his sister, Miss Vera, returned home on Friday.

New Steel Bridge.

Plans and specifications are being prepared by the Soo company for a new solid steel bridge to take the place of the one crossing the Wisconsin river in this city, and which will be constructed next season. The present structure was built several years ago, before the mammoth engines now in use on the road were deemed a necessity and shorter trains were pulled, and while it is not considered at all unsafe, one that will withstand the great iron horses of the future, as well as the present, will be built.

Public Library Notes.

A list of the books suitable for Christmas observances has been prepared for the use of teachers and others, books of stories, poems, etc.

Twenty-five books have been transferred from the rent collection to the main shelves this week, and the following new books of fiction added to the rent department:

Connor—Corporal Cameron.
Austin—Woman of genius.
Booth—Bella.
Lincoln—Roscoe Paine.
Harben—Paul Rindel.
Vance—Destroying angel.
Wharton—The reef.
MacGrath—Place of honeymoons.
Raine—Brand blotters.
Rinehart—Marriage.
Barclay—The upas tree.
Munger—Wind before the dawn.
Wilson—Land claimers.
Allen—Heroine in bronze.

NORMAL BASKET BALL

Several Fine Games Scheduled for This Season, the First to Take Place Next Saturday Evening.

On next Saturday night the Normal basket ball team will play its first game of the year, having Marshfield High school as its opponent. The game will be one well worth seeing, since Marshfield has always a fast team, and the local team has in previous years demonstrated its class. The game will be played in the Normal gymnasium and will be called at 8:15. A curtain-raiser will be played between the Normal 2nd and 3rd teams at 7:30. The people of the city are particularly requested to support the team this year.

One reason for supporting the team is the following: This year, for the first time, the eight Normal schools of the state are organized in athletics. There are two divisions, the Northern being composed of La Crosse, River Falls, Superior and Stevens Point. Each team will meet each other team twice; thus the local "fans" will see each of the above Normals on the local floor this year in a championship contest. Previous to the first of these games, the local team will play Marshfield and Grand Rapids High schools, Wausau Y. M. C. A. two games, and Lawrence College.

The Normal management, on account of a large deficit in football, is planning a strenuous campaign for the present season in order to obtain a credit balance. On Thursday evening after 3:30, the Normal boys will visit every business house and office in the city in an effort to dispose of their season tickets, which are really priced at a great bargain. The Normal management appeals to the people of the city to help in this cause, for the Athletic Association is a self-supporting organization. On Friday evening, the campaign will be carried further, when a large body of students will visit practically every home in the city in an endeavor to make the game of basket ball popular in the city this year. A facsimile of the season ticket is printed in another part of this issue.

Killed in Auto Accident.

Lewis Sharpstein, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sharpstein of Walla Walla, Wash., was killed in an automobile accident in that city last Friday, his neck being broken. No further particulars have been received by friends here. The young man, who was the only child, was about 21 years of age. He and his parents visited here one year ago last summer at the B. B. and G. L. Park homes, Mr. Sharpstein being a cousin. The young man made many friends while in this city who will be pained to learn of his sad death.

Financial and Social Success.

The most successful sale and supper, both from a financial and social standpoint, which has taken place in Stevens Point for several years, was held at the Presbyterian parlors Tuesday afternoon. The net receipts from the supper will be approximately \$100 and that from the sale of fancy work, aprons, dolls, candy, etc., is \$150, making a total of \$250. The candy booth alone sold \$17.50 worth of sweets. Several handsomely decorated booths were erected along the north side of the Sunday school room and the dining tables down stairs were also adorned with carnations and candelabra.

Will Winter in California.

Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Allen of Wau-paca were guests last Sunday at the home of their son, Geo. W. Allen, on Jefferson street. The first named couple will pass through this city next Monday morning on their way to California to spend the winter. They go west via the Canadian Pacific, stopping at Winnipeg, Medicine Hat and other places in Northwest Provinces, and thence to Spokane, Couer d' Alene, Seattle and down to San Francisco and southern California. The return trip will be made through New Orleans and Biloxi, Miss., a couple of weeks' stay being contemplated at the latter place.

Points That Stick.

The main points about our scarf pins are that they are the handsomest of this year's patterns, are perfectly made and guaranteed, and very moderate in price, at E. A. Arenberg's.

High School Notes.

The geometry classes are now studying the circle.

The regular meeting of the Literary society, which is usually held on Tuesday evening, was postponed until Thursday evening of this week.

The polls at High school were open this morning from eight-thirty until nine, this afternoon from 1:10 to 1:30 and again at 4:00 o'clock, for the purpose of allowing the pupils to vote on "Student Government" and the result of the vote will be announced next week.

The following officers were elected at the last meeting of the Literary society for the ensuing six weeks:

President—Emil Hafsoos.
Vice President—Percy Daffoe.
Secretary—Louise Jacobs.
Treasurer—Genevieve Love.
Sergeant—Raymond Pike.

On Monday last the pupils listened to a very interesting debate between our regular debating team and a pick-up team. Those who made up the regular team are Karl Pfiffner, Edmund Formella and James Hull. The pick-ups were Lorentz Martini, Adolf Neuwald and Emil Hafsoos. The question discussed was "Resolved, That the Wisconsin Income Tax should be Repealed," the subject chosen to be debated by our team and that of the Wausau High school team next Friday evening, when our boys will uphold the affirmative side.

To Have Gym. and Club Room.

Some fifty members of the Boy Scout council attended a special meeting held last Monday evening when a program was outlined for the winter months, the details of which were left to the committee consisting of Supt. Roberts, Rev. Montague, A. E. Bourn and C. W. Copps. Money was appropriated to furnish a gymnasium at the Scout quarters over Murray's store and a club room will be fitted up at the expense of ladies who are interested in the work. The boys will be formed into three divisions, each of which will have the privilege of the gymnasium one night of the week and sessions of the entire body will be held Friday evenings.

Glenn H. Chapman, who served three years in the regular army, will instruct the boys in military tactics and also give them valuable pointers in relation to the hospital service.

Lost Infant Son.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Joy mourn the taking away of their infant son, Ross Park, aged ten days, which occurred Tuesday afternoon and the remains were interred in Forest cemetery at 11 o'clock this forenoon. The little one was baptised on Sunday by Rev. E. Croft Gear, rector of the Episcopal church. Death resulted from valvular heart trouble.

No Operation Performed.

Arthur Van Order of Hull and Chas. Hoffman of Abbotsford returned from Oshkosh last Friday noon where the first named was a patient at St. Mary's hospital for the previous few days, expecting to undergo an operation, but was informed that this was not necessary and came home feeling more cheerful than when he went away. Mr. Van Order, who is chairman of the town of Hull, has been in poor health for several months.

THE CURFEW WILL RING

Thereafter Children Under Sixteen Years of Age Must Not Roam About After Nine O'Clock in the Evening.

The belfry on fire engine house No. 1 on N. Second street, is being repaired, and as soon as this is done, which will be in a day or two, the curfew will again ring. The time at which it will be sounded will be 8:45 o'clock in the evening, to give boys and girls under 16 years of age, not accompanied by their parents or guardians, an opportunity to get to their homes before 9 o'clock. Otherwise they will be subject to arrest, fine and punishment.

Mayor Walters and Chief Hafsoos, both of whom were present at the adjourned meeting of the common council last evening, stated that the curfew bell would again be heard as soon as the above stated repairs are made. Firkus and Sparks were the only absentees at this meeting.

Relative to the amended claim of Mrs. A. M. Kleiner, who desires to recover for loss on millinery goods damaged by water in the basement of her store, alleged to be due to an overflow of the surface sewerage, and which was referred to City Atty. Owen, that gentleman stated there was nothing further to require from him, he having previously recommended the disallowance of the bill. The report was placed on file. The city attorney also reported on the matter of securing the necessary outfit for the sealer of weights and measures, saying it would be well to have the council authorize the purchase, and where expenditures are made of over \$200, that body must advertise for bids.

The clerk read figures from three houses which make a specialty of the manufacture of apparatus required by sealers of weights and measures, the cheapest being from the Fairbanks-Morse Co. of Chicago, whose representative was present, his estimate being \$249.75. He stated, however, that an outfit could be secured for about \$204, with a discount of 3 per cent., which would bring the expenditure down to a little less than \$200. Upon motion of Ald. Abb the mayor and clerk were authorized to advertise for bids to be received in 10 days, with power to act upon receipt.

A notice of apportionment of the county tax from County Clerk Bourn was read and Ald. McDonald introduced a resolution authorizing the same to be placed on the city tax roll. The resolution was adopted.

The matter of providing a special policeman to look after the ice rink on the river, which will be managed by the council of Boy Scouts, was brought up, Mayor Walters saying that Chief Hafsoos could secure a good man for \$2.00 per day of ten hours, or 20 cents per hour, he to charge for actual time only. Ald. Abb said that John Zimmer, a South Side young man, would take the job at \$40 per month. As the policeman will be on duty only from 3:30 to about 9:30 each day during the week, except Saturday and Sunday, when he must be there all day, it was estimated that the cost would be about \$9 per week, and Ald. Schenk offered a resolution, that the mayor appoint a man for about three months, at not to exceed \$9 per week, which motion was carried.

Mayor Walters, referring to the condition of the treasury, stated that up to Dec. 1st the general fund had been overdrawn \$16,822, all but about \$5,000 of which had been borrowed from other funds, and the amount borrowed from the banks thus far is only a little over \$5,000. Mayor Walters will prepare for publication a detailed financial statement, the same to appear in the local press next week.

Forest Chapter Officers.

Forest Chapter, No. 34, R. A. M., selected the following officers last evening:
E. H. P.—R. N. Spindler.
King—E. L. Martin.
Scribe—Harry Welty.
Treasurer—W. B. Buckingham.
Secretary—J. D. Giles.
Trustee, 3 years—R. A. Cook.

City Taxes Slightly Increased.

The total tax to be collected in Stevens Point this year, the county, state, city and city school tax, amounts to \$106,996.79. Last year it was \$105,881.21. In addition to the first named sum, \$722.43 will be raised to pay the county for the board of city prisoners confined in the county jail in years gone by, the county being given a judgment for that amount.

Died in Washington.

Mrs. Edna B. Manning, wife of Ben. E. H. Manning, died at St. Johns, Wash., on the 27th of November. Death resulted from typhoid fever. Mrs. Manning was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Bump of Merrill, and a niece of Mrs. A. J. Empey of Milladore. She was born at Wausau, Aug. 1, 1874. A loving wife, mother and daughter is now at rest.

Run Trains by Telephone.

Within the next few weeks the Soo line will use both telephones and telegraph instruments in the operation of trains over the road between Minneapolis and Chicago. Two of the large metallic wires of the North American Telegraph Co. will be used for telephone purposes, the connecting wires to lead into the offices underground and from the main wire down the pole will be enclosed in a gas pipe. Phones for the new venture have been shipped to this city and will be rapidly installed under the direction of Chas. H. McCready, chief lineman. It is said that this dual system is in successful operation on several other roads throughout the country.

FRATERNAL OFFICERS

Local Societies Make Selections for the Coming Year—Some That Were Chosen Within the Week.

ORDER EASTERN STAR

Arbutus Chapter, O. E. S., made these selections of officers last Monday evening:

Worthy Matron—Miss Kate Ball.
Worthy Patron—F. A. Sustins.
Associate M.—Mrs. C. E. Wert.
Secretary—Mrs. F. H. Murray.
Treasurer—Mrs. G. B. Clark.
Conductor—Miss Elida Moen.
Associate Con.—Miss Lettie Wick.
Trustee, 3 years—W. J. Shumway.

WOMAN FORESTERS.

St. Hedwig's Court, Women's Catholic Order of Foresters, elected the following officers last Sunday:

Chief Ranger—Wesleya Molski.
Vice Chief—Mary Jerzak.
Rec. Sec.—Mary Naliborski.
Fin. Sec.—Elvia Formella.
Treasurer—Veronica Kamrowski.
Trustees—Antonia Kurszewski, Anna Landowski, Mary Reginski.
Medical Examiner—Dr. von Neupert, Sr.

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.

Crusade Commandary, No. 17, Knights Templar, elected the following officers Thursday evening:

E. Com.—W. F. Owen.
Generalissimo—W. J. Shumway.
C. Gen.—Geo. B. Nelson.
S. W.—Ross E. Joy.
J. W.—J. R. Congdon.
Prelate—E. H. Joy.
Treas.—W. B. Buckingham.
Rec.—J. D. Giles.
Trustee 3 years—E. H. Joy.

MODERN WOODMEN.

Thursday evening Eureka Camp, No. 1448, Modern Woodmen, elected officers as follows:

Consul—Alvin Pike.
Advisor—C. A. Mase.
Banker—J. A. Young.
Escort—C. L. Blake.
Clerk—C. W. Simonson.
Sentry—Paul Tuszke.
Watchman—T. H. Ellis.
Trustee 3 years—G. K. Mansur.

GRAND ARMY POST.

The following officers were selected by Stevens Point Post, G. A. R., Friday evening:

Commander—E. McGlachlin.
Sr. Vice—Wm. Reading.
Jr. Vice—John Cater.
Quartermaster—E. M. Copps.
Chaplain—Walter Frazer.
Officer of Day—S. W. Andrews.
Officer of Guard—Patrick Bowden.
Trustee 3 years—H. O. Halverson.
Delegate to State Encampment—Wm. Mulkins.

WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS.

The Woman's Relief Corps on Friday afternoon elected officers as follows:

President—Lydia Eagleburger.
S. V. P.—Grace West.
J. V. P.—Robena Alcorn.
Secretary—Ida Chapman.
Treasurer—Frances Myers.
Chaplain—Mary Welty.
Conductor—Ellen Carpenter.
Guard—Matilda Soper.
Delegate—Mary Welty.
Alternate—Jennie Altenburg.

SHAUKETTE LODGE.

Shaukette Lodge, No. 92, I. O. O. F., on Wednesday evening last selected the following officers:

Noble Grand—Alvin Pike.
Vice Grand—F. M. Playman.
Rec. Sec.—E. C. Oatley.
Fin. Sec.—John Gray.
Treas.—James Beesley.
Trustee, 3 years—A. F. Behrendt.

Prospering in Milwaukee.

Dr. A. A. Kryger and two of his children, a girl and boy, came up from Milwaukee and visited over Sunday with the doctor's parents and brothers. Dr. Kryger has been practicing medicine in Wisconsin's metropolis for the past four or five years and has met with very gratifying success, both from a financial and professional standpoint. He recently bought a modern home at 634 Third avenue and uses part of the large building for office purposes.

The following resolutions were adopted by the Waupaca County School Officers Convention, at New London, Saturday, Dec. 7th:

Resolved, That we, the District School Officers of Waupaca County, in convention assembled, are opposed to that portion of the Teachers' Pension Law which makes it compulsory, and favor its repeal.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to our State Senator and Member of Assembly.

(Official Publication)

Report of the Condition of the Wisconsin State Bank

Located at Stevens Point, Wisconsin

At the close of business on the 25th day of Nov., 1912, pursuant to call by the Commissioner of Banking.

RESOURCES	
Loans and discounts	\$ 136,229.78
Overdrafts	14.45
Bonds	9,705.00
Banking house	7,000.00
Furniture and fixtures	3,170.00
Other real estate owned	1,025.00
Due from approved reserve banks	12,235.34
Exchanges for clearing house	1,101.69
Cash on hand	8,240.66
Total	\$ 178,881.83
LIABILITIES	
Capital stock paid in	\$ 80,000.00
Surplus fund	1,500.00
Undivided profits	2,682.18
Due to banks—deposits	9,138.60
Dividends unpaid	9.00
Individual deposits subject to check	50,545.63
Demand certificates of deposit	832.43
Time certificates of deposit	76,413.69
Savings deposits	8,067.30
Total	\$ 178,881.83

State of Wisconsin, ss.

County of Portage, ss.

G. H. Warner Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the foregoing statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

G. H. WARNER, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 25th day of Dec., 1912. W. F. OWEN, Notary Public.
My commission expires May 30, 1915.

Correct—Attest:
L. R. ANDERSON,
R. B. ROBERTSON,
Directors.

BONDS FOR APPEARANCE

Charged With a Serious Offense, Mrs. Augusta Lampe Pleads Not Guilty and Furnishes a \$2,000 Bond.

Mrs. Augusta Lampe was arraigned before Judge Murat last Thursday afternoon, charged with performing an illegal operation upon Mrs. John Mattice of the town of Bucina Vista, the same, it is alleged, taking place Nov. 21, 22, 23 and 24, 1912. The case was reported by Dr. Croby of Arnott, and thereafter Dist. Atty. Nelson, D. I. Sickelsteel, district attorney-elect, and Dr. Cowan of this city, accompanied by Dr. Croby, visited the Mattice home and took the statement of Mrs. Mattice. The arrest and arraignment followed, the complaint being signed by Sheriff Guyant.

The state was represented by Mr. Nelson, while W. F. Owen and McFarland & Murat appeared for the defendant, who entered a plea of not guilty and the examination was adjourned until next Wednesday, the 19th inst., Mrs. Lampe furnishing bail in the sum of \$2,000 for her appearance at that time. The offense charged is a serious one, the penalty being from four to seven years in state prison.

Collided With a Pole.

While driving Styles & Riley's laundry delivery auto east on Clark street, at about 11 o'clock last Saturday forenoon, the machine came in contact with a telephone pole in front of the Eaton residence. It was being driven by Francis Phalen, one of the proprietors. The pole escaped unharmed, but the auto is much the worse for its brief encounter, every spoke in one wheel being broken, a fender being twisted, and the wind shield and two lights being broken, besides other damage. Francis, who had momentarily turned to one side, thinking a tire had burst, was thrown violently forward against the steering wheel, but fortunately escaped injury.

Guilty One Wanted.

Bradley Wheelock, who resides at 303 Portage street, would like to meet the "fellow," he de go, mink, weasel or some other animal, that killed about sixty valuable chickens belonging to him, last Thursday night. All were thoroughbred fowl, the pride of both Mr. and Mrs. Wheelock, and their estimated value was over \$100. Three pullets, evidently more active than the others, had escaped by flying to a perch at almost the extreme top of the coop. Entrance was made through a small door at the bottom of the chicken house, which had unwittingly been left open, and the bodies were found scattered about the floor when Mrs. Wheelock went to feed her pets on Friday morning.

Quietly Married in Milwaukee.

There was a pretty marriage in Milwaukee on Monday of last week, reported too late for our last issue, when Miss Nellie Allen and A. G. Krause, both of this city, were joined in matrimony. The bride is a daughter of Mrs. Louis N. Sovey, landlady at the Park Hotel, and has always been a resident of Stevens Point, with the exception of a short time that her mother lived in Milwaukee. She was educated at St. Stephen's parochial school and our public schools, and is a most genial young lady, one whose friends are innumerable, limited only by her acquaintances. The groom, a former fireman on the Soo, has by diligence and ability been promoted to the position of engineer, being one of the youngest to hold that responsible position, and is a firstclass citizen in all respects. The young couple will continue to make Stevens Point their home, a fact which all will be pleased to know, and most heartily congratulations are offered.

MEEHAN.

Chas. and Nettie Clusman are visiting relatives down in Vernon county this week.

Theodore Stienke, who has lived south of here for many years, recently moved to Wild Rose.

Donald Fox, who has been employed near Almond all the summer and fall, returned home Saturday.

Elmer Dakins lately bought the Felix Orstroski farm and moved on the same with his family last week.

A series of evening church services are being held here this week. Rev. S. E. Taylor of Richland Center is officiating.

Several relatives of Mrs. J. H. Fields of Plainfield left here Tuesday to attend a birthday anniversary gathering in honor of the lady.

John Eberhardt of Grand Rapids was through here last week buying cattle, hogs, etc., for the Reiland packing company. Although stock has been scarce and valuable here lately, still farmers always have something to sell and are pleased to see a buyer drive in and look around.

POLONIA.

And the cold days came at last. Jos. Kafeynski of Wausau is visiting here with his son Mike.

A. E. Peabody of Stevens Point transacted business here Thursday.

Geo. Soik is now the owner of a fine team of horses, which he bought recently.

Drs. Norton and Swan, veterinarians from Stevens Point, were professional callers here last week.

Mrs. Valentine Mansavage was taken suddenly ill one day last week but is now able to be out again.

Rosek Bros. have bought a gasoline engine and saw rig, with which they will be sawing wood this winter.

Thos. Skeka is very sick at this writing. As he is about 85 years of age, there is little hope of his recovery.

Mike Oliwecki has installed a new shoe sewing machine in his shop and is now able to do all kinds of shoe repairing.

Nick Wojak contemplates building a house in the spring on his lot here. He is now hauling stone for the mason work.

A fire started in Frank Bruski's building on Sunday evening, Dec. 1st, from an overturned lantern, and if not for Mr. Bruski's quick work in extinguishing the blaze, the building would have burned as the fire had a good start. Mr. Bruski's had his hands and face badly burned.

More Locals.

Victor and Edison records at Retton Bros. & Co's.

Fred Krueger of this city was a Grand Rapids visitor last Saturday.

Miss Stella Dawson has returned from a visit at Spirit Falls and Merrill, where she spent several weeks.

The contest at Boston's closes Saturday, Dec. 14. No answers considered after that date. Write your answer now and send it in.

Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Boyle of Ashland were guests at the home of Chas. Winkler in this city for a couple of days the last of the week.

Mrs. G. B. Garner has returned to her home at Minneapolis after a visit with her mother, Mrs. Harry Isherwood, in the town of Linwood.

Jas. Glennon was up from Biron, where he looks after the interests of the Ule Construction Co., and spent Sunday with relatives and friends.

Our opera glasses have just arrived and we want you to see them. Buy now while the assortment is complete. We have the best. E. A. Arenberg.

Miss Theresa Moran is visiting at the home of her brother, Jos., at Fond du Lac, and will also spend a few days in Chicago, to be gone about ten days.

Gail Woodworth left for New Orleans, La., Monday morning, where he will be employed by the United Sales Co., expecting to remain there indefinitely.

Michael Boushley and Mrs. Mae D. Clark, both residents of the town of Lanark, arrived in the city on Monday and were married by Judge Murat at his office.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Francis Dodd of Merrill, at the home of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Somers, in this city, on Friday morning last, a daughter.

The ladies of St. Paul's M. E. church gave a very successful sale and supper last Thursday afternoon and evening, the net receipts amounting to about \$150.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Blanchard returned to their home at Edgerton last Saturday. They were called here several days before by the death of the lady's father, E. A. Sherman.

Mrs. Henry Dietrich of Hamburg, N. Y., left for her home on Saturday after visiting at the home of her son, Geo. H., on Main street, intending to visit for a week in Chicago enroute.

One of those coffee percolators or chafing dishes at Arenberg's would make an elegant present for your wife, daughter or sweetheart. Call and look them over and judge for yourself.

Miss Myrie Young returned to Plainfield last Friday to resume teaching in the village schools, which re-opened Monday. They had been closed for a few weeks because of diphtheria in several families.

A. N. Sprafka, proprietor of Empire Amusement hall, left here last Friday night for Watertown, S. Dak., to look after property interests and visit relatives. Mr. Sprafka is part owner of a roller skating rink at Watertown.

Mrs. Geo. C. Stockley, who submitted to an operation at St. Mary's hospital, Oshkosh, the first of last week, is improving nicely and will soon be able to return home. Her husband and daughter, Miss Georgia, spent Sunday with her.

The official proceedings of the county board will be published in The Gazette and Journal next year, the same as this year, the board having awarded the contract on Friday last. The treasurer's sale and clerk's delinquent list will also appear in these papers.

Misses Liela Nelson, Mabel Roseth and Edith Ballard, Stevens Point young ladies who are teaching at Edgar, are taking an enforced vacation, because of an epidemic of contagious diseases there, and it is not expected that the schools will open until after the holidays.

We have just received one of the best assortments of Christmas candies, nuts, candles, etc., etc., that one could wish to purchase from. The goods and prices will fit any pocketbook. Let us have your orders for school or Sunday school supplies. H. D. McCulloch Co.

Mrs. C. F. Haertel and daughter, Mrs. Allen Behrendt, spent Saturday at Amherst, going down to assist in the celebration of the 88th birthday anniversary of Mrs. Haertel's mother, Mrs. Wm. Wilson, who is in the enjoyment of good health and remarkably active for one of her years.

John Leahy is spending a few days visiting with his brother, Dennis, in the town of Lanark, the latter's health having been very poor for some time, owing to a nervous breakdown. The latter's son, D. J. Leahy, also visited with his parents over Sunday, returning to the city Monday morning.

W. J. Leary of Amherst Junction visited in this city last Sunday while on his return home from Stetsonville. Mr. Leary bought a farm of one hundred acres some two and one-half miles from that station. The soil there is firstclass and the farm is also equipped with a good set of buildings. One of his sons may work the place next season.

Deputy Game Warden Jay Kelsey spent last Thursday in the vicinity of Knowlton in company with John W. Foster, a deputy from Wausau. They went out into the woods and found Fred Strum hunting for partridges, having already bagged one. Strum was taken to Wausau, where he entered a plea of guilty and his fine and costs amounted to \$34.00.

T. I. McGlachlin returned from Madison Saturday evening, where he attended a meeting of fish and game protective associations, representing twelve counties, some seventeen delegates being present. Important changes in the fish and game laws will be presented to the legislature this winter. Mr. McGlachlin was made a member of the executive committee.

Disburses Much Money.

The Prudential Insurance Co., of which A. M. Lickteig is the local manager, has paid over 1,530,000 claims since its organization. During the first ten months of 1912 the total death payments amounted to \$16,466,701.32, there being 103,416 deaths among its policy holders. Of this number, 7,906 policies had been in force less than one year, and the beneficiaries received \$873,448.74.

\$3.00

Will buy Your Boy

A Nice Overcoat

at the

Hub Clothing Co.

Corner N. Second Street and Normal Avenue

Dies at Northern Hospital.

Jay Trumbull, who was committed from this city to the State hospital near Oshkosh last spring, died at that institution on Nov. 26th and was buried at Merrillan. Mr. Trumbull was 49 years of age and prior to his recent mental and physical breakdown was a stalwart, fine looking gentleman. He married Miss Mae Dumas in February, 1902. The widow now lives with her mother, Mrs. J. J. Dumas, 220 N. Division street.

Xmas Cards and Letters.

Never before have you seen such quality Christmas cards and Christmas letters as are shown at the Krembs drug store, 27 steps from the post-office, on the corner.

Sealshtipt oysters, the sanitary kind at McCulloch's.

(First pub. Dec. 11—3 ins.)

COUNTY COURT NOTICE—State of Wisconsin, Portage County, in County Court.

In the matter of the will of Iver Knudson, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that at a special term of the county court, to be held in and for said county, at the court house, in the city of Stevens Point, in said county, on the first Tuesday (being the 7th day) of January, A. D. 1913, at 10 o'clock a. m., or as soon thereafter as such matter can be reached, the following matter will be heard and considered.

The application of Mark E. Bruce to admit to probate the last will and testament of Iver Knudson, late of the city of Stevens Point in said county, deceased, and for letters testamentary thereon to be issued to Mark E. Bruce, the said petitioner.

Dated this 10th day of December, A. D. 1912.
By Order of the Court,
JOHN A. MURAT, County Judge.
McFarland & Murat, Attorneys for the Petitioner.

BIG HOLIDAY SALE

— AT —

405-407 Main Street, 2nd Floor

Above Chicago Clothing Store

— commencing —

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13th, 1912,

On all Fancy and Hand Painted Chinaware, Toilet Sets, Albums, Fancy Boxes, Picture Books, Bibles, Postcard Albums, Jewelry Boxes, Magic Lanterns, Electric Engines, Buckeye Microscopes, a large assortment of new and up-to-date Toys, Kid-body Dolls in all sizes, Dressed and Undressed Dolls of all descriptions, a large and beautiful assortment of Doll Heads and, in fact, the entire up-to-date stock of Mr. Pomeroy of New London, Wis., which he was forced to sell on account of personal reasons. Mr. Pomeroy was in business only 6 months, therefore the stock is Brand New and Up-to-date in every respect.

DURING THIS BIG HOLIDAY SALE OR WHILE IT LASTS, WE WILL SELL

All 10c articles at - - - - - 7c each
All 35c and 25c articles at - - - - - 17c each
All \$1.00 articles at - - - - - 50c and 60c each
All hand-painted and fancy Chinaware at - - - - - 50c on the dollar

Special No. 1 100 dozen White and Blue and Plain White Graniteware at - 1-3 off
Special No. 2 200 LACE CURTAINS at - 1-2 Price 30c up to \$3.00

COME AND SEE THE SPECIAL BIG VALUES OFFERED

Whether you want to buy or just to look, come anyway, but if you intend to buy any of the above articles you cannot afford to pass up this extraordinary opportunity. Remember this stock must be closed out regardless of cost or value.

SALE BEGINS FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13, 1912

ABOVE CHICAGO CLOTHING STORE

405-407 MAIN STREET

Institute at Junction.

A teachers' institute will be held at the public school building in Junction City next Saturday, Dec. 14th, commencing at 9:30. Prof. F. S. Hyer of the Stevens Point Normal and County Supt. Bannach will be conductors. They will meet and discuss with the teachers present the problems of school work. Teachers should come prepared to take part in the discussions and take notes. All who teach near Junction City are expected to attend this institute. F. C. Bannach, Co. Supt.

Strong Circumstantial Evidence.

A young wife was in tears a few mornings ago when her mother called. When asked what was the matter she replied that her husband was out late the night before and had been to a drinking party.

"What makes you think he had been to a drinking party?" asked the mother.

"He came home," sobbed the young wife, "wearing a phonograph horn for a hat."—Kansas City Star.

More Careful Now.

The young wife had given her husband a dance. "You've improved wonderfully, Jack," she said as they sat down. "Don't you remember how you used to tear my dress?"

"Yes," he replied. "I wasn't buying them then."—Boston Transcript.

Barks.

The class in natural history being asked the difference between a dog and a tree, the head boy answered, "A tree is covered with bark, while a dog seems to be lined with it."

UMBRELLA HANDLES.

In France They Shape Them as They Grow in Nurseries.

Most of the handles of canes, alpenstocks, parasols and umbrellas used in France are grown in nurseries. Ash, maple, oak, chestnut and other woods are used. In the early part of the first year after planting the young trees are cut near the ground to bring about the formation of numerous sprouts. The lower branches are removed, and only a plume of leaves is left.

Early in the spring the sprouts are subjected to a surgical operation. Their bark is cut, and the wood is carved in different designs, which are swollen by the sap and grow in high relief as the tree develops. Special instruments are used for the cutting and designing. Thus carved, the sprouts grow for three years.

At the end of the third year the forest of umbrella handles is cut, and the cuts are dried in the sun and then given a vapor bath, after which they are put into the hands of skilled workmen, who peel them with one quick movement.

When skinned the peelers cut them to the required lengths and send them to the umbrella maker, who varnishes them. If the shape desired is a ring or other open form a ring or oval or square is grafted to the natural stalk, bound closely, and left to grow into place.—Harper's.

But for some trouble and sorrow we should never know half the good there is about us.—Dickens.

Pe-ru-na and Ka-tar-no



S. B. Hartman, M.D.

I have received a letter from a young lady, who asks me: "Is the old Pe-ru-na (Ka-tar-no) better than the revised Pe-ru-na?" Either medicine has its place. One is adapted for one condition, another for another. Ka-tar-no is a better remedy for some conditions than the revised Pe-ru-na. On the other hand, the revised Pe-ru-na is a better remedy for some conditions than Ka-tar-no. They are both intended as catarrh remedies. They have both done a great work in relieving catarrh, chronic and acute. Many hundreds of cases of chronic catarrh have recovered while taking Ka-tar-no and the same is true of the revised Pe-ru-na during the last six years since its revision.

There is a difference, however, in the two remedies. Whenever catarrh is associated with constipation then the revised Pe-ru-na is the best. Indeed, this is exactly why the revision was made, to meet such cases. But where no laxative is needed, where the bowels are regular or inclined to be loose, then the old Pe-ru-na (Ka-tar-no) is the better remedy.

The revised Pe-ru-na is for sale at all drug stores. Those wishing to obtain Ka-tar-no, address The Ka-tar-no Co., Columbus, Ohio.

MORTGAGES ON LAND.

Why It Is Essential That They Should Be Recorded.

As the value of land to the owner increases so does the security of mortgage investments given on that land increase. A mortgage may be considered as a deed of the land which reverts the title in the original owner or his successor on the paying off of the mortgage or the bond or note which the mortgage secures.

Mortgages are recorded in public offices, called registers, recorders or county clerks' offices, in much the same way that deeds are, so that any one buying the land is bound to take notice of them, and the land is bound by them, no matter to whom the land is conveyed, and no one has a right to say that he bought the land not knowing that a mortgage was on it, for he is presumed by law to know such facts, as a search of the title in these public offices would reveal.

If, however, the holder of the mortgage does not cause the mortgage to be recorded then any innocent purchaser of the land can take it clear of the lien of the mortgage.

In no particular has the law of this country gone further than in the effort to secure the title of the landowner and the security of the mortgage holder, and no investments are more highly regarded by the conservative business man than those founded on the imperishable surface of the earth.—Christian Herald.

A Funny Misprint.

One of the most ludicrous announcements that ever appeared perhaps was made by a London newspaper in the earlier half of the last century to the effect that Sir Robert Peel "and a party of friends were shooting peasants in Ireland." The words misprinted, of course, were "friends" and "peasants."

FINISHES ITS LABORS

County Board Adjourns Saturday Morning—Annual Tax Levy Made Shows Small Increase.

The annual session of the county board came to a close last Saturday morning and on Friday the annual tax levy, \$140,217.19, was made, being a little over \$3,000 more than last year, when the total amount raised was \$137,198.35. The state tax this year is about \$9,000 less than last year, while the county tax is over \$9,000 more, the comparative statements for the two years being as follows:

	1912	1911
State tax.....	\$ 34,122.10	\$ 43,313.33
County tax.....	69,205.78	60,057.16
County Supt....	1,400.00	1,200.00
County school..	3,175.99	29,003.32

Total.....\$136,433.87 \$133,573.81

Special levies are made against a number of school districts in the county as follows:

No. 6, Pine Grove.....	\$ 160 50
No. 3, Almond.....	139 10
Joint No. 2, Almond.....	206 67
Joint No. 2, Almond village..	595 11
No. 3, Amherst.....	171 00
No. 5, Alban.....	165 75
No. 4, Grant.....	103 50
Joint No. 2, Lanark.....	7 07
No. 2, Linwood.....	103 50
No. 10, Carson.....	49 10
No. 9, Carson.....	62 25
No. 7, Amherst.....	199 50
No. 5, Alban.....	126 00
No. 3, Amherst.....	135 00
Joint No. 2, Eau Claire.....	83 52
Joint No. 2, Carson.....	12 00
No. 6, Pine Grove.....	106 19
No. 9, Grant.....	102 85
No. 7, Plover.....	107 00
No. 5, New Hope.....	135 00
No. 7, Hall.....	331 50
Joint No. 8, Carson.....	43 30
Joint No. 8, Eau Claire.....	59 70
No. 11, Carson.....	99 33
Joint No. 2, Stockton.....	164 84
Joint No. 2, Amherst.....	43 49
Joint No. 5, Belmont.....	224 55

Total.....\$3 733 32

School Board Convention.

The Portage County School Board convention will be held on Saturday, Dec. 21st, at the Stevens Point Normal school. The program will begin at 9:45 o'clock in the morning. The speakers will be Rural School Inspector W. E. Larson, Mayor F. A. Walters and Profs. Hyer and Phelan. The last two named are members of the Normal faculty. School board members, their wives, teachers and everyone interested in what our schools are doing and in what they should do for the best interests of Portage county, are urged to be present at this convention. Frances Bannach, County Supt.

Extra Buttons.

"It takes stout people to break all rules regulating the number of buttons on a coat or waistcoat," said the tailor. "They can't follow the fashion; their size won't let them."

"Three buttons on a coat this year," tailors' conventions may decree, or two or four or five, or whatever number they think proper, but the man with a figure that is constantly trying to escape its environment does not care about conventions. What he wants is buttons enough to keep his clothes in shape.

"Put 'em closer together," he says, "so the strain won't all come on two or three buttons."

"So we put them closer together, and the result is that stout people frequently have twice as many buttons on their clothes as fashion calls for."—New York Times.

Every character is the joint product of nature and nurture

Noisy Sleep.

Hub (angrily)—Here. What do you mean by waking me out of a sound sleep? Wife. Because the sound was too distressing. Boston Transcript.

DR. E. R. PERKINS

Twenty-one Years an Experienced Specialist

Teeth Extracted Without Pain

With My Secret Anaesthetic

The Greatest Invention of the Age for suffering humanity. No danger from colds, no soreness of gums, no physical debility thereafter



Recognized and acknowledged everywhere the Greatest Operator in this line of business. No better method. None so good. Any time of the year. Any kind of weather. Every patient satisfied and grateful. If you need it take advantage of this visit. Don't wait. You will be glad.

Jacobs House

Thursday, Dec. 19

Office hours: 9 a m to 3 p m

No other visit till April

LADY ATTENDANT

What Does Baby Say?

THIS is a small reproduction of a large picture in our window. We want to know what the Baby says. For the best answer, not over twenty-five words long, we will give a

Globe-Wernicke Book-Case, FREE.

The contest is open to all. Blanks for your answer may be had at our store, or write your answer on a sheet of paper and sign it with your name and address and send it to Answer Editor, Boston Furniture & Undertaking Co.

Only one answer from a contestant considered. Contest closes Dec. 14. Judges will announce the winner a week later. Send in your answer early.

Boston Furniture & Undertaking Co.



A. J. CUNNEEN & CO.

EXCLUSIVE MEN'S and YOUNG MEN'S GOODS

We mention a few items to give you an idea of some articles we carry that would make DESIRABLE and USEFUL CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR MEN and BOYS

CHRISTMAS GLOVES AND MITTENS

Our line of Men's Gloves is complete. Silk lined, Mochas and unlined from \$1.00 to \$2.50. Dressed gloves, fur lined and fleece lined, from \$1 to \$2.50.

MEN'S FUR and CLOTH CAPS

Fur Caps, all prices; Cloth Caps, 50c to \$2.00

BAGS, SUIT CASES, UMBRELLAS

Umbrellas in silk and linen at all prices.

Bath Robes, Night Robes and Pajamas

We have an elegant line of these goods, at prices that are sure to please you.

Men's Fancy Vests - \$1.00 to \$4.00

Plain and Fancy Silk and Lysle Hose

A large assortment All colors. A pair or box of them will always please.

Gents' Neckwear - 25c to \$1.50

This is the place to come for neckwear for presents, all newest goods, latest patterns.

Mackinaws, Sweaters and Sweater Coats

Handkerchiefs, Silk and Linen - 5c up

In keeping with the season, these goods are put up in fancy Holiday boxes.

PLAIN and PLEATED SHIRTS

The most complete line it has ever been our fortune to show. A Shirt or box of shirts would be a desirable Christmas gift.

Tie Pins Suspenders Cuff Buttons

Collars Cuffs

and many other things men appreciate

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455 Main Street

Road to Success

Trade at Home.

Get Married.

Live Simply.

Carry Life Ins.

Pay the Cash.

Keep An Expense Account.

Cut Out the Luxuries.

Have a Bank Account.

Bank the Savings.

Good advice if we did give it free. Can you follow it? You can with our help. It will only take one dollar to open an account at our bank. Begin today.

Citizens National Bank

OF STEVENS POINT, WIS.

Capital, \$100,000

Surplus, \$30,000

Select Your Gifts at Krembs Drug Store

This Handy Gift List tells something of the Wonderful Variety and Values at KREMBS Drug Store. You want to give gifts that bear THE MARK OF CLASS so that they will be appreciated and a credit to you—things that you would like to get yourself. We are this year showing the Finest Line of Gift Goods ever handled by us. There are hundreds of ideas for men, ladies and children. Be sure to see our Christmas goods, just what you want is here and they are so good and so reasonable in price that you can afford to give liberally.

Toilet Sets Shaving Sets Traveling Sets Leather Goods
Safety Razors Military Brushes Fountain Pens
Candies Fancy Stationery Manicure Sets Cigars

MANY USEFUL GIFTS TO SELECT FROM:

Chest Protectors Chamois Vests Sponges Bath Supplies
Hot Water Bottles Medicine Cabinets Bath Cabinets
Invalid Comforts Nursery Goods Toilet Goods Combs
and Many Other Things

Remember the Invalid at Christmas. Don't overlook the fact that the most helpful thing you could give the invalid at Christmas time is something that will be useful and helpful. We suggest Invalid Cushion Rings, Call Bell, Smelling Salts, Reading Tables, Hot Water Bottles, etc., etc., because it brings Comfort and Happiness.

Krembs Drug Store

27 Steps from Postoffice

"On the Corner"

PLAINFIELD.

H. B. Gustin has been very sick several days at his home west of town. Floyd Casler has gone to Lake Mills, where he has a situation for the winter. Postmaster R. L. Coon has been very sick and confined to the house this week. Frank Clark has moved into the Delano house west of the railroad track. Moses Foss of Oasis has moved into town and occupies the Sam Feldman residence. Dr. Ruckle of Grand Rapids was here last week in attendance on Buchanan Johnson's boy, who recently injured his throat with a lead pencil.

PLOVER.

Julian Maxfield has been on the sick list the last few days. The Ladies' Aid cleared about \$35 on their recent sale and supper. Mrs. James Pierce went to Medford last week to visit her son, M. F. Pierce. Mrs. Chas. White and son Arthur of Waupaca visited at Wm. Newby's a part of last week. Mrs. W. Barnsdale went to Almond Tuesday for a few days' visit with her daughter, Mrs. Dan Hetzel. Chas. Harbough of Highland Park, Ill., is visiting his mother, Mrs. J. Patterson and other relatives. Mrs. Mary Blevens, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. H. A. Marlatt, left for her home at Mullen, Neb., Tuesday. Mrs. Nellie Russell visited at Dr. Whiteside's over Sunday while on her way home to Packwaukee from Crystal Falls, Mich.

Mrs. Delia Moore returned from Packwaukee the latter part of last week, where she had been visiting Mrs. C. Chapel. Frank Herman had another attack of appendicitis at Stevens Point Sunday afternoon, but was able to be brought home in the evening and is now on the gain. Officers elected in the local Masonic lodge:

W. M.—Waldo Calkins.
S. W.—Julian Maxfield.
J. W.—W. J. Drake.
Secretary—M. C. Skinner.
Treasurer—Jas. W. Pierce.
Trustee, 3 years—Walter Barnsdale.
Plover Colony, Beaver Reserve Fund Fraternity, have elected the following officers:

Worthy Beaver—C. M. Barker.
Worthy Queen—Mrs. Lizzie Barker.
W. C.—B. S. Fox.
Secretary—Wm. Newby.
Treasurer—Henry Cram.
Queen of Love—Mrs. Jennie Fox.
Queen of Faith—Miss Florence Blood.
Queen of Charity—Mrs. Ollie Newby.
Princess—Mrs. C. Moss.
Guide—Clinton Moss.
Trapper—H. Blood.
Trustee—Mrs. Ollie Newby.
Officers elected in St. Patrick Camp, R. N. A.:

Oracle—Sadie Herman.
Vice Oracle—Marie Smith.
Chancellor—Fannie Traggess.
Recorder—Mina Hanson.
Receiver—Kate Barnsdale.
Marshal—Theresa Marlatt.
Asst. Marshal—Mayme Skinner.
Inside Sentinel—Maude Bibby.
Outside Sentinel—Alice Washburn.
Physicians—Dr. Whiteside and Dr. Gregory.
Manager, 3 years—Elizabeth Coulthurst.

Wellington's Integrity.

The Duke of Wellington was noted for his rigid integrity. Here is an instance which occurred in reference to his large estate. Some farm adjoining his lands was for sale, and his agent negotiated for him for the purchase. Having concluded the business, he went to the duke and told him he had made a capital bargain. "What do you mean?" asked the duke. "Why, your grace, I have got the farm for so much, and I know it to be worth at least so much more." "Are you quite sure of that?" "Quite sure, your grace, for I have carefully surveyed it." "Very well, then; pay the gentleman from me the balance between what you have already given and the real value of the estate."

Who Was It Wrote "The Tragedy of Troilus and Cressida?"

Andrew Lang has just propounded a puzzle in circumstantial evidence. "Who," he asks, "wrote 'Troilus and Cressida'?" You may answer, as you please, Shakespeare or Bacon. If you answer Bacon, Andrew Lang comes back with the query, "Would Bacon have said that Aristotle lived before the Trojan war?" Bacon was too learned a man to make such a mistake, which would be as bad as placing Abraham Lincoln among the signers of the Declaration of Independence.

If you answer Shakespeare, Andrew Lang shoots another query at you: "The author makes Ulysses and Achilles quote 'an author' and discuss a pretty long and strange passage from that author, who was Plato. How could Shakespeare have read Plato?" For Shakespeare knew no Greek, and in his day Plato had not yet been translated into English.

It is quite conceivable that Shakespeare might imagine that Plato and Aristotle lived many centuries before Homer, but it is inconceivable that the erudite Bacon should fall into such an error.

Andrew Lang does not pretend to solve the riddle. He frankly says, "I give it up."—New York World.

RISKY POSTAL SERVICE.

In Russia the Government Opens All Suspicious Packages.

Our own service of mails is well organized. There is little doubt in the mind of the average person that when he posts a letter it will reach its destination.

But in other lands he might well fear for its safety. In Russia, for instance, any letter or parcel that is regarded with suspicion is immediately opened and its contents noted. A clever machine gums it up again, so that the recipient does not know that it has been tampered with.

In Lapland the mails are carried in sledges drawn by reindeer. In the wilds of the Caucasus the postman holds a post of danger. He must be protected against brigands and against the weather, for he often has to climb mountains more than 12,000 feet high. Asiatic Russia, which is apt to be marshy, has the buffalo post, and, of course, the progress made is very slow. Buffaloes are more powerful than oxen, and they are also used in Siberia for carrying the mail. Other postmen in foreign lands are the swimming postman of India and the sking letter carrier of the Andes. For the latter place the Argentine government specially imports Norwegians.—Exchange.

Mexico's Smoking Mountain.

In 1897 I climbed two volcanoes in Mexico, Popocatepetl, or "the smoking mountain," about 17,800 feet, and Orizaba, the former the most famous because within view from Mexico City and thus a source of especial pride and admiration to the inhabitants, who have been loath to believe that any other of their mountains could be higher. Popo has a really splendid crater, about half a mile across and 1,000 feet deep. The walls are generally vertical, but in one or two places it is possible to descend. When workers are engaged in collecting sulphur machinery is used to hoist them up and down. From Popo's summit there is a glorious prospect, not alone of the immense crater, but of the beautiful "White Lady" (Iztaccihuatl) reclining a thousand feet below, of Orizaba on the far horizon and of the charming valley of Mexico.—Annie S. Peck in Christian Herald.

A Changed Man.

Mrs. Knagg—You were a different man when I married you. Mr. Knagg—I sincerely hope so, for then I was a fool.—Boston Transcript

Willie Green—You city kids ought to be thankful that your parents use gas stoves, especially during the hot summer. City Boy—Why? Willie Green—Well, you never heard tell of a boy splitting wood for a gas stove, did you?—Philadelphia Record.

A Reversed Program.

"The stage should deplete society as it really exists," said the serious person.

"Yes," replied Miss Cayenne, "but it doesn't. On the contrary, society tries to imitate the songs, dances and dialect of the stage."—Washington Star.

Hams.....	22 00
Mess Pork.....	15 00
Hogs, live.....	\$6 50-7 00
Hogs, dressed.....	8 00-8 50
Beef, dressed.....	7 00-8 00
Hay, timothy.....	12 00-14 00
Potatoes.....	25-30
Rosebud.....	4 80
Patent Flour.....	5 00
Graham Flour.....	4 50
Rye Flour.....	4 00
Wheat.....	50
Rye, 56 pounds.....	32
Oats.....	25-30
Middings.....	1 10
Feed.....	1 25
Brans.....	1 15
Corn.....	1 15
Corn Meal.....	1 20
Butter.....	30-32
Eggs.....	10-11
Chickens, old.....	12-13
Chickens, spring.....	18-19
Turkeys.....	15
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Specials for Christmas

Do Your Christmas Shopping Early

In order to relieve the strain on our Sales Ladies. Store will only be open on evenings of December 21, 23 and 24.



Christmas Corsets

Extraordinary Corsets at the price of ordinary Corsets. New models just received. Prices from

50c to \$5.00

Christmas

Silk Gloves	-	-	50c to \$1.50
Silk lined	-	-	25c to \$1.00
Wool lined	-	-	50c



Christmas Sweaters

For Ladies and Children in Red, White and Grey. All Wool; well made. Prices

\$1.00 to \$8.50



Gloves

Leatherette Gloves	-	-	50c to \$1.00
Kid Gloves	-	-	\$1.00 to \$3.00
Wool Gloves and Mittens	-	-	15c to 50c

Christmas Linens

New arrivals in Christmas Linens, consisting of Table Linen, Lunchcloths, Doilies, Towels, etc. All grades and prices.

Christmas Flowers



What is nicer than a pretty bouquet of flowers? We have carnations and roses that will not wither or fade. Prices

25c and 50c

Mufflers

Christmas Mufflers are here in all the warranted shapes and shades. Prices from

25c to \$1.50

Christmas Furs

New arrivals in Fur Muffs and Scarfs, both for Ladies and Children. All of the new creations. Prices range from

\$2.50 to \$50.00



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Report of the Condition of

The First National Bank

At Stevens Point,

In the State of Wisconsin, at the close of business Nov 26, 1912

RESOURCES.

Loans and Discounts,	-	-	\$460,180.04
Bonds	-	-	585,548.14
Real Estate and Fixtures,	-	-	17,734.68
Cash on hand and in Banks,	-	-	294,780.37
Due from U. S. Treasurer,	-	-	2,050.00
Total	-	-	\$1,310,293.23

LIABILITIES.

Capital Stock	-	-	\$100,000.00
Surplus and Undivided Profits,	-	-	27,766.07
Circulating Notes,	-	-	73,300.00
Deposits,	-	-	1,109,227.16
Total,	-	-	\$1,310,293.23

STATE OF WISCONSIN, COUNTY OF PORTAGE, ss.

I, J. W. DUNEGAN, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

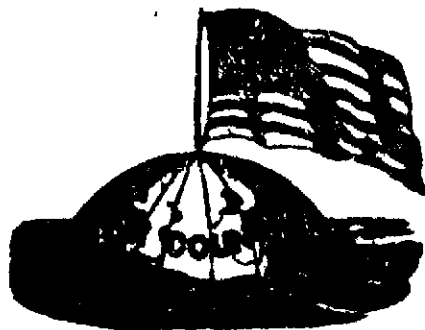
J. W. DUNEGAN, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 3rd day of Dec., 1912.

JOS. SCHOTTTEL, Notary Public.

CORRECT—Attest:
A. R. WERK,
P. J. JACOBS,
C. D. McFARLAND,
H. H. PAGEL,
Directors.

UNITED STATES DEPOSITORY.



Struck the Curbing.

Guy Carley of Plover, who was driving the large touring car of his father, Wm. Carley, met with an expensive accident in this city last Thursday morning. He was turning the corner at Main and Church streets, going south on the latter thoroughfare, when owing to the wet and slippery condition of the street, the rear of the car skidded, the wheel coming in contact with the curbing with sufficient force to break most of the spokes and damaging the fender.

Membership Largely Increasing.

About twenty desirable candidates became members of Stevens Point Lodge, No. 641, B. P. O. E., last Wednesday evening, and the initiation was followed by a banquet, at which T. H. Hanna presided as toastmaster, responses being made by Don C. Hall, J. H. O'Brien, Dr. G. M. Houlehan, W. E. Fisher and Dr. Franz Krembs. This was the largest class admitted to the local lodge since its organization. A number of others will be initiated at the regular meeting to be held next Wednesday evening.

Replaced by Concrete.

As fast as the present wooden flag stations on the Soo line become in need of extensive repairs, they are being replaced with modern concrete ones, according to a statement made by Superintendent C. M. Winter, says the Fond du Lac Reporter.

A concrete flag station has already been placed at Arndt and Packer streets in the city and another one at Lake Shore drive, near the village. The modern structures are built at the company's yards and are then moved bodily to the various sites along the line. The new stations are not only more sanitary, but are also a big improvement in every way over the old wooden ones.

Coupons in Every Sack.

Try a sack of Pagel's Best fancy patent flour, made from hard spring wheat. Coupons in every sack which will apply on silverware, white and blue enamel ware, also crockery. We have just received a large barrel of fancy decorated scallops. If the flour is not satisfactory money will be refunded. Advertisement.

The dictates of fashion has put the ban upon switches and puffs. We will soon know what our best girl really looks like without her disguise.

Famous Stage Beauties

Look with horror on skin eruptions, blotches, sores, or pimples. They don't have them, nor will any one who uses Bucklen's Arnica Salve. It glorifies the face. Eczema or salt rheum vanish before it. It cures sore lips, chapped hands, chilblains; heals burns, cuts and bruises. Unequaled for piles. Only 25c at H. D. McCulloch Co.'s.

A story from Chicago says there are calves there worth \$5,000. That's nothing; there are calves on Fifth avenue, New York, worth \$5,000,000.

By Wireless on Christmas Eve

A Yuletide Fantasy

By EARLE HOOKER EATON

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OH, pretty queen of Christmastide, I know your winsome wiles!
You're wreathed in greens and mistletoe, and also wreathed in smiles.

I got a wireless call from you—a C Q D you sent.
I heard the spark coil P D Q and to the rescue went!

THE PHILOSOPHY OF TOYS.

IN olden times—and not so very old at that—playthings were regarded as a weakness to be indulged, not a need to be supplied. Science has changed all that. Today toys are recognized as a necessary part of the child's education. The doll answers to the mother instinct in the heart of the little girl and helps to develop the mother side of her nature. Toys are as essential in the child's training as books. By careful selection they can be made to direct his activities. The heart must be educated as well as the mind.

HOW TO BUY THE CHRISTMAS GIFTS.

The wise shopper will keep last year's list so that he or she may know what was given before and avoid duplications. Another good method is to jot down in a little book any chance hints from friends as to what they want. If this plan is followed throughout the year presents can be bought intelligently that will really be appreciated.

Christmas in France.

THE celebration of Christmas varies in different countries and even in different parts of the same country. Of old days it was different in France and England. More recently the French are adopting the American and English Santa Claus and are even introducing the mistletoe.

"I DARE YOU!"



For the Children

A Little Mother of New York's East Side.



Photo by American Press Association.

Young people who live in the country where flowers and trees and green grass are on every side have playgrounds that the finest city park cannot furnish. Parks in the big cities are comparatively few, and then they are kept more for their beauty than for the entertainment of children. "Keep Off the Grass" is a sign that warns one not to leave the path. Except for a few small playgrounds this rule is rigidly enforced. How different in the country, where fields and woods are free! The happy youngsters may wander at will without fear of reproof. The picture shows a little mother of the east side tenants of New York amusing her baby brother. How she would enjoy a frolic with him in the green meadows instead of being confined to a busy city street!

Fate of the Monkey.

There are, with monkeys as with men, sad possibilities in life. While some live out all their days in peace and pleasure, others are early brought face to face with a very hard fate.

The merry, playful little rascal may be taken by a trader, torn away from his comrades and carried overseas, to become the slave of a traveling organ grinder and to shiver in the strange cold streets of our crowded cities.

Or, again, as he is swinging himself on a slender bough he may become suddenly conscious of a pair of fierce eyes watching him, the eyes of an immense catlike creature, which has a superb buff coat covered all over with black spots and paws so strong that a single blow from one of them must be death to poor Jacko.

The leopard preys upon monkeys and is quite able to climb trees in pursuit of them. Even if he could get out of the way the hunted animal is usually too frightened to do so. With a kind of fearful fascination he sits watching the approach of the leopard until, with a spring and a cry, the tragedy is ended.

But that is not always his fate, and, after all, perhaps the monkey, who finds a quick death in his native land, is less to be pitied than the shivering little exile in a red jacket which we sometimes meet about our streets.—C. J. Blake.

A Long Way Back.

The earliest authentic date that has been handed down to us was inscribed on the foundation stone of the temple to the sun god at Sippara by Naram-Sin, son of Sargon. This stone was exhumed by Nabonidus, who reigned over Babylon about 554 B. C., and it is asserted that Naram-Sin ruled 3,200 years previously. From these dates we learn that the chronology of Babylon began with the reign of Sargon I., king of Agade, 3300 B. C.

A Good Answer.

A shopkeeper had for his virtues obtained the name of "the little rascal." A stranger asked him why the appellation had been given to him.

"To distinguish me from the rest of my trade," quoth he, "who are all great rascals."—London Mail.

Most Suitable Christmas Gift for Your Wife



Absolute Cleanliness if You Use This Vacuum Cleaner. It's Much Easier to Operate Than Any Other Cleaner.

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This Store is Offering a Full and Complete Line of Suitable Goods for

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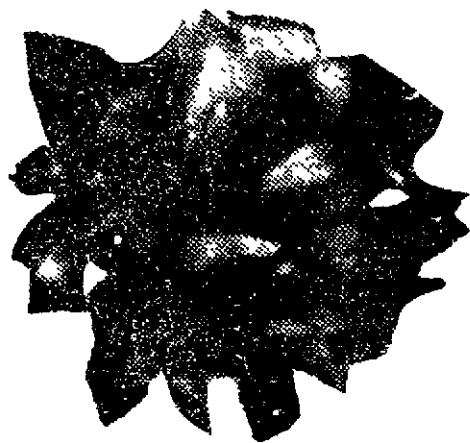
Open Evenings for the Convenience of Shoppers

A Christmas Question



By Earle Hooker Eaton

IF a pretty girl were standing
'Neath a sprig of mistletoe,
With her roguish eyes
a-twinkle
And her rounded cheeks
aglow—



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IF a pretty girl were waiting,
Shy, expectant, coy and glad,
Would you turn and run
like sixty,
And, if so, *which way*,
my lad?

THE RIGHT CHRISTMAS WAY

By MRS. H. L. MONTY.

O H, Mrs. Everly, I just thought I'd drop in and talk Christmas to you. It's all I hear at home, and I—

Alice Milner was a very dear young friend of Edna and Vera Everly, and Christmas and all the wonderful secrets belonging to it had always been discussed as one family. She was amazed when Mrs. Everly turned abruptly and said: "Alice, don't. Please don't talk Christmas this year."

Alice hurried upstairs, where Edna and Vera were brooding over the same command, given them the evening before.

Edna was the first to speak. "I don't understand mamma at all. Before she has always been the first to begin the Christmas gifts, and—and she never tired of planning."

Vera was angry. "Last evening papa said: 'I think, mother, that Santa will have to unload that fine dining table at Bradlaugh's for you Christmas. The one with—' And that was as far as he got. Mamma said: 'Father, that will do. Christmas will not be mentioned to me this year.' And—and this morning mamma went to the furniture store, bought that table and has it all set for dinner. I know papa will be hurt."

Alice jumped up. "Come on, girls! Let's go over and consult Aunt Betty."

The girls told her their Christmas troubles and about the dining table.

She was very quiet for a few seconds. "What did you give your mamma last Christmas?" she asked.

"The Axminster rug for the parlor,"

both girls quickly answered. "Papa gives us a dollar every month for our bank, to be kept just for a Christmas gift for mamma, and then he adds to it for what is wanted."

"Yes'm," quietly answered Aunt Betty. "And the Christmas before?"

"A brass bed for the spare bedroom."

"Yes'm! And the Christmas before?" asked Aunt Betty again.

The girls hesitated a little, then, "A



"FOR THE DEAREST MOTHER EVER."

set of leather dining chairs, and a Morris chair for—

"Yes'm!" Aunt Betty's eyes snapped. "Who sits in the Morris chair?"

"Mamma put it in the library," Vera answered.

"And papa sits in it and reads every evening and Sundays."

Then they all thought Vera had gone

crazy. She laughed, sang, jigged, and then with a hug she nearly upset Aunt Betty, and said, "Girls, what silly folks we all have been!"

The girls left Aunt Betty an hour later, and Christmas was not mentioned in the Everly household, but the girls and their father looked unusually mysterious and happy.

Christmas morning dawned crisp and clear, the spirit of the day abounding everywhere.

Edna and Vera anxiously awaited their mother, having sent their father to bring her to their Christmas room, which they had trimmed up in evergreens and bells, after she had retired the evening before.

They met her with tender caresses and led her to a chair prepared purposely for her. Edna brought her gift, a beautiful collar of her own work, and pinned it on with a brooch, in which was her birthstone.

The mother drew the face of her first child to her and kissed her, a tear dropping on the upturned face.

Vera had quietly drawn near and laid a bundle of dark blue silk on her mother's lap. "For the dearest mother ever," she said as her mother drew her closely to her, sealing the precious words with a kiss.

Then father came forward and, taking her hand in his, said as he slipped his gift on her finger, "What I couldn't give the dear little woman when we started out together I give her now." The bewildered woman saw through fast falling tears a magnificent diamond sparkling on her hand.

"O-h," said Vera, "such a time as I've had keeping secrets!"

"The happiest Christmas I've known for years," remarked Mr. Everly.

"Me, too," exclaimed Alice Milner. "I tried to have some one let me in with my little gift for the queen of the household, and no one heeded my call, so I came anyway." And a lovely comb was added to her presents.

"This is what Christmas means; give to each for their own." And Edna started the ball rolling for a general Christmas frolic.

More Locals.

Use IVORY Wall Plaster. If T. Olsen, phone 54, is prepared to deliver green mill wood.

W. E. Fisher transacted business before the supreme court at Madison, the last of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Bowers and children of this city visited with relatives and friends at Mellen last week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Delaney left last Friday afternoon to spend several days among friends at Amherst and other parts of the county.

Eight of Pagel Milling Co.'s coupons and \$2.98 gives you a forty-two piece china dinner set worth \$8. Look for the coupons in Pagel's Best Fancy Patent flour.

When you read this issue of The Gazette, look over each and every page, as all will be found interesting from a news standpoint, as well as for the general information to holiday buyers.

Beware of imitators. If you want to order wood or coal, ring up telephone 54; when ordering wood or coal from a teamster on the street be sure that Olsen's name is on the wagon box.

Ernest Weber and T. L. N. Port spent Friday and Saturday in Milwaukee, going down especially to attend the presentation of "Aida" by the Chicago Grand Opera Co., and which they proclaim was exquisitely grand.

Jacob Bunin, who had been with the City Fruit Exchange for the past few years, left for Minneapolis on Sunday to accept a position as traveling salesman for a wholesale grocery house, his territory being in Minnesota and the northern part of this state.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Copps visited at Milwaukee last week, and on Wednesday evening attended a banquet given by the Loyal Legion, addresses being made by Bishop Weller, ex-Gov. Peck and others. Maj. Herren of Fond du Lac and formerly of this city, is commander of this military organization.

America's oldest doctor says modern physicians are not much better on cures than the healer of a half century ago. But the old fashioned doctor didn't have all the ailments and diseases to treat they have nowadays.

Cord Wood For Sale.

T. Olson has made arrangements to receive a number of carloads of hardwood, including birch and hard maple, and also mixed wood. This will be in cord lengths and will be of fine quality. It will be sold from the car to local buyers at reasonable prices. Telephone 54. Advertisement.

Great Opportunity.

An 80 acre farm, located just east of Bancroft, with good house and other buildings worth \$3,500 alone, for sale at a bargain. There are 65 acres under cultivation and the balance is in woodland. Good school near by. This together with two horses, five cows, two heifers, one brood sow and four shoats, farm machinery and tools, oats, grain, straw, feed, etc., for \$5,800. Will accept \$3,300 and take mortgage for the balance. Enquire at this office. If

Christmas Treasure

Beautiful and Useful Articles for both Young and Old

Ten Thousand Articles to Tempt the Christmas Shopper. Below are a few of the leading heads under which you may look for goods here:

Picture Frames. School Pennants. Toys and Games. Beautiful Pictures. Christmas Booklets. Home Made Candies. Boxed Confectionery. Millions of Post Cards. High Grade Chocolates. Holiday Box Stationery. Books—Popular Fiction. Books for Little Children. Dolls and Doll Furniture. Books for Boys and Girls. Christmas Packing Boxes. Doll Carriages and Dishes. Wrapping Tissue and Seals. Tree Ornaments and Candles. Children's Chairs and Rocking Horses.

When You are Down Town do not Fail to Drop Into Our Store. You Will Surely Find Something Suitable for Gifts.

French, Campbell & Co.

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The CONTINENTAL CLOTHING STORE

is the place to buy a

Suitable Christmas Gift

for a Gentleman Friend. Our line is new and up-to-date in every department, including

Ties, Mufflers, Shirts, Hose, Collars, Hats, Caps, Cuffs, Gloves, Garters, Fancy Vests, Smoking Jackets, Bath Robes, Etc.

We also carry a fine line of Suit Cases

No place in the city carries a larger line of ready-to-wear Suits and Overcoats than we do. Call and see our Stock.

The Continental CLOTHING STORE

The Cheerful Life

It is the right of everyone to live and enjoy the cheerful life. We owe it to ourselves and those who live with us to live the cheerful life. We cannot do so if ill health takes hold of us.

The wife, mother and daughter suffering from hot flashes, nervousness, headache, backache, dragging-down feeling, or any other weakness due to disorders or irregularities of the delicate female organs—is not only a burden to herself, but to her loved ones.

There is a remedy. Forty years experience has proven unmistakably that

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Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets regulate and invigorate stomach, liver and bowels. Sugar-coated, tiny granules.

Barn Game.

A jolly barn game to be enjoyed during rainy afternoons when the children cannot play in the open is "The Little Man's House." It is played in this way:

The children participating sit in a semicircle, the leader in front of them. The leader begins by addressing the first boy or girl on his right. "I tell you the little man." This is repeated down the line till it comes to the leader again, who says, "I sell you the house of the little man." This is again repeated, as at first, and on reaching the leader a third time, he says, "I sell you the door to the house of the little man." And again the leader's words are taken round the semicircle. And again the leader adds to his sentence, this time saying, "I sell you the lock to the door to the house of the little man," and so on without end.

If any of the players misquote the leader they are put out of the game.

Home Again.

We spent the summer down by the sea. Somehow it seemed so short to me. But when I came back the birds had flown.

Save for a robin that sang alone, Over and over all day long. One little bar of one little song.

In place of the roses I thought to see Late nodding daisies welcomed me. Goldenrod stands by the dusty road.

Fruit trees are heavy with crimson load. The tall green corn that I left is brown. Withered and dry, with its arms held down.

The kittens that wobbled wherever they went Are good sized cats, with their legs unbent.

The baby calf is almost a cow. The puffed chickens are grown up now. I can't stop looking, it seems so strange. When you aren't watching, how things change.

—Youth's Companion.

The Wild West

It Was Different From What Johnny Bruce Had Expected

By EVELYN THURBER

Every community adapts itself to its necessities. In the early days in the wild west, a horse was about the most valuable thing a man could possess, consequently horse thieves, when caught, were hanged by the neck.

The tales picturing the conditions existing in that country in those days—tales usually written by elderly ladies living in civilized eastern homes—were fascinating to youth. They made the boys feel that they would like to live that kind of a life just as one reading an imaginative description of a battle would wish to be in it. The real western life and the real battle are entirely different from those fancy pictures and altogether unattractive.

But Johnny Bruce, a city boy, having read the dime novels of his day, when he came of age, having fallen heir to a little money, concluded to go west, have a look at the country and, if he liked it, would invest his legacy in a stock of goods and set himself up for a merchant. So Johnny took a train and was pulled as far on his journey as there were locomotives to pull him, then got into a stage coach and went as far as that means of conveyance lasted. Not finding anything rough enough to suit him he thought he would go further on horseback. He had provided himself with wearing apparel made for him after the pictures of "Arkansas Pete" or "Tennessee Joe," published in the dime novels he had read, so he put on the garments and cast about for a horse.

There weren't many horses in the country at the time, and what there were, were in daily use. Johnny spent a lot of time trying to hire or buy an animal and failed. Then it occurred to him that the hero in one of the novels he had read, when fleeing for his life, had borrowed a horse to speed him in his flight. It seemed to Johnny that the time had come to put in practice some of that daredevil recklessness for which he had come west. He would go to some man's barn, take a horse and, when through with it, send it back to its owner.

Having located a barn during the day, at dead of night he went there, saddled a horse—a coal black steed, Johnny's favorite color for a horse was black—and mounting cantered gaily away.

Johnny pulled up in the morning at a small town and, asking to be directed to a hotel, was shown a house, the person doing so saying:

"Madge Barker, she keeps boarders in that ar house; you mought git in thar. There ain't no hotel hereabouts."

Johnny went to the house and was received by a woman with tousled hair and garments decorated with grease spots, who welcomed him and prepared a breakfast for him. He was waited on during the meal by Madge's daughter, who, had she been better dressed, might have presented a comely appearance. She was just Johnny's age and it was evident from her manner that she was much pleased with the young man. She had never—at least, not in a long while—seen anything so fine. She asked him what sort of a costume it was he had on, which surprised him, for he had supposed it was the kind worn in that country.

Johnny's first thought was to find some one to take the borrowed horse back to his owner, but he had not been to bed the night before and was very sleepy; so he deferred returning the animal till he had had a nap. He asked for a room and was shown to one. There was a bed in it—that is, it was called a bed though it was really a bunk built against the side of the room, which was not plastered and had no ceiling to cover its bare and rough hewn rafters. There was neither carpet nor furniture, except a washstand with a tin basin on it.

A reaction came over Johnny. Somehow there was no dime novel glamour about the place, and he was seized with a sudden fit of homesickness. However, he laid himself down on the odorous cotton "comforts"—the only bed covering—without undressing, resolving that he had already had enough of the wild and woolly west, and instead of sending back the horse he would take it himself and go on home. Having come to this comforting resolution he fell asleep.

He was awakened during the afternoon by several men, who crowded into the room. "Come, we want you," Half awake, Johnny blinked his eyes at them, not understanding what it all meant. One of the men took hold of his arm and landed him on the floor. Johnny fell, but was lifted roughly on to his feet.

"What do you want with me?" he asked, irritated by his treatment. "You'll find that out soon enough," said one of the men, and, taking him by the coat collar, pushed him down the steep stairway.

On the ground floor there were Madge and her daughter, looking surprised. "Laws a mercy!" exclaimed the latter. "Whud' n' thought he was a boss thief?"

The remark was the first intimation Johnny had as to the cause of his treatment.

"Sheef up, Moll," said the mother. "Horse thief!" cried Johnny, "who says I'm a horse thief?" "Oh, bluff won't do you any good young feller," said one of his captors, "with the boss you stole tied behind the house."

Several horses had been stolen from the town where Johnny had "borrowed" his steed, and when Eben Parker's black gelding was missed from the stable that morning a posse was organized to get after whoever had perpetrated this last crime. Parker led that part of the posse which took the right road to secure Johnny, and was so indignant over the trouble to which he had been put that he was in favor of meeting out the customary punishment for such an offense by instant hanging of the thief. Though they discussed the matter before Johnny some time elapsed before he got it through his thick skull that his life was in danger. His captors wrangled over the matter, some of them averring that they had better delay the hanging long enough to give Johnny an opportunity to implicate those who had taken the other horses that had been stolen; but they were overruled and after a lengthy debate they led the culprit out for the purpose of raising him at the end of a rope the other end of which had been thrown over the limb of a tree. Johnny, who, by this time had begun to realize what was taking place, turned white, his knees knocked together, and he had to be dragged along.

"What's my boss gone to?" exclaimed Eben Parker when the party got outside the house.

True enough, the beast had disappeared again. The men were dumfounded. Those who had urged delay for the purpose of eliciting information at once claimed that there was an organized gang to run off horses, and Parker's animal had been taken this second time by a confederate from right under their noses. Fresh tracks made by hoofs were plainly visible, and it was decided that two of the men should follow, while the other two remained with the prisoner.

While they were gone Johnny was locked up in the room he had occupied, one of the men guarding the stairway, the other watching under the only window.

Now, there was one thing that none of the men noticed. Molly Barker had disappeared. Her mother did not call their attention to the fact, and as for the prisoner, he was not in a condition of mind to notice anything except what plainly pertained to his unfortunate position. The men who went after the horse were gone till late in the evening, when they returned with the missing horse, on which rode Moll Barker. There was a fourth person added to the party, who was the sheriff of the county.

Moll, realizing Johnny's danger, had taken the horse to go for the sheriff, that the culprit might receive the protection of the law. Had she not taken the horse her effort would have resulted in failure, and had the men known that she had taken him they would have surmised she had gone for assistance, and they would have hanged Johnny before that assistance could have arrived. As it was, Johnny for the time being was saved.

The tenderfoot, bearing a step on the stairs, his heart stood still. He supposed that the men were coming to take him out for the second time to hang him. The door was thrown open, and the sheriff, who entered, seeing his agonized appearance, reassured him by telling him who he was and promising him that he would be safe in his hands and have an opportunity to prove himself innocent of the crime with which he was charged. He heard Johnny's story and, having become convinced that a mistake had been made, told his prisoner to go to sleep where he was and the matter would be adjusted in time.

Johnny woke up in the morning to one fact of especial importance to him. He was alive, and the reason of his being alive was the action of Moll Barker. The first thing he did was to shudder, the second was to realize that his heart was going out to the shabby girl who had saved him. He had found the woolly west something entirely different from what it had been portrayed in the dime novel. Nevertheless he had found his romance—a romance as different from what he had always expected as was the wild west.

The next day the sheriff persuaded the owner of the stolen horse that Johnny was fresh from the east and unconscious of committing a crime. So the posse went back with the recovered animal, leaving Johnny to follow his own sweet will. In Moll, Johnny failed to see the commonplace girl of yesterday. Her act and its importance to him had invested her with a charm not then apparent.

"Did you go for the sheriff," he asked her, "supposing me to be innocent?" "No, I thort y' took the boss."

"Then why were you interested?" "I don't know."

"Did you suppose you would get the sheriff here in time to prevent my hanging?"

"No, I didn't think I would; I could only try."

"You wouldn't have been in time if the men hadn't missed the horse you had taken. And you wouldn't have been allowed to go if they had seen you start."

"I onbitched the boss when they was in the house with you, and led him into the bushes; then I mounted him and lit out."

"Well, little girl," said Johnny in conclusion, "if it hadn't been for you I'd be hanging out there to a tree."

Johnny remained some time in the west, and when he went home he took Moll with him. She picked up an education and is now quite a lady.



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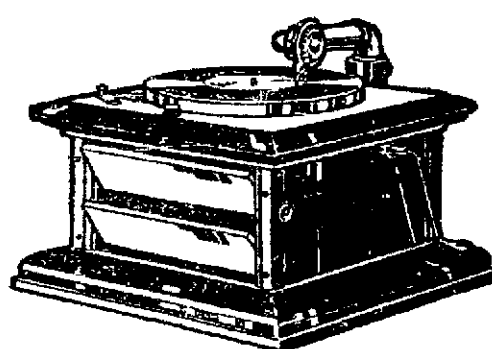
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PLAINFIELD

H. B. Gustin has been very sick several days at his home west of town. Floyd Casler has gone to Lake Mills, where he has a situation for the winter. Postmaster R. L. Coon has been very sick and confined to the house this week. Frank Clark has moved into the Delano house west of the railroad track. Moses Foss of Oasis has moved into town and occupies the Sam Feldman residence. Dr. Ruckle of Grand Rapids was here last week in attendance on Buchanan Johnson's boy, who recently injured his throat with a lead pencil.

POLOVER.

Julian Maxfield has been on the sick list the last few days. The Ladies' Aid cleared about \$35 on their recent sale and supper. Mrs. James Pierce went to Medford last week to visit her son, M. F. Pierce. Mrs. Chas. White and son Arthur of Waupaca visited at Wm. Newby's a part of last week. Mrs. W. Barnsdale went to Almond Tuesday for a few days' visit with her daughter, Mrs. Dan Hetzel. Chas. Harbough of Highland Park, Ill., is visiting his mother, Mrs. J. Patterson and other relatives. Mrs. Mary Blevens, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. H. A. Marlatt, left for her home at Mullen, Neb., Tuesday. Mrs. Nellie Russell visited at Dr. Whiteside's over Sunday while on her way home to Packwaukee from Crystal Falls, Mich. Mrs. Delia Moore returned from Packwaukee the latter part of last week, where she had been visiting Mrs. C. Chapel. Frank Herman had another attack of appendicitis at Stevens Point Sunday afternoon, but was able to be brought home in the evening and is now on the gain. Officers elected in the local Masonic lodge: W. M.—Waldo Calkins. S. W.—Julian Maxfield. J. W.—W. J. Drake. Secretary—J. C. Skinner. Treasurer—Jas. W. Pierce. Trustee—3 years—Walter Barnsdale. Plover Colony, Beaver Reserve Fund Fraternity, have elected the following officers: Worthy Beaver—C. M. Barker. Worthy Queen—Mrs. Lizzie Barker. W. C.—B. S. Fox. Secretary—Wm. Newby. Treasurer—Henry Cram. Queen of Love—Mrs. Jennie Fox. Queen of Faith—Miss Florence Blood. Queen of Charity—Mrs. Ollie Newby. Princess—Mrs. C. Moss. Guide—Clinton Moss. Trapper—H. Blood. Trustee—Mrs. Ollie Newby. Officers elected in St. Patrick Camp, R. N. A.: Oracle—Sadie Herman. Vice Oracle—Marie Smith. Chancellor—Fannie Tragesser. Recorder—Mina Hanson. Receiver—Kate Barnsdale. Marshal—Theresa Marlatt. Asst. Marshal—Mayme Skinner. Inside Sentinel—Maude Bibby. Outside Sentinel—Alice Washburn. Physicians—Dr. Whiteside and Dr. Gregory. Manager, 3 years—Elizabeth Coulthurst.

Wellington's Integrity.

The Duke of Wellington was noted for his rigid integrity. Here is an instance which occurred in reference to his large estate. Some farm adjoining his lands was for sale, and his agent negotiated for him for the purchase. Having concluded the business, he went to the duke and told him he had made a capital bargain. "What do you mean?" asked the duke. "Why, your grace, I have got the farm for so much, and I know it to be worth at least so much more." "Are you quite sure of that?" "Quite sure, your grace, for I have carefully surveyed it." "Very well, then; pay the gentleman from me the balance between what you have already given and the real value of the estate."

Who Was It Wrote the Tragedy of "Troilus and Cressida?" Andrew Lang has just propounded a puzzle in circumstantial evidence. "Who," he asks, "wrote 'Troilus and Cressida?' You may answer, as you please, Shakespeare or Bacon. If you answer Bacon, Andrew Lang comes back with the query, 'Would Bacon have said that Aristotle lived before the Trojan war?' Bacon was too learned a man to make such a mistake, which would be as bad as placing Abraham Lincoln among the signers of the Declaration of Independence. If you answer Shakespeare, Andrew Lang shoots another query at you: 'The author makes Ulysses and Achilles quote an author and discuss a pretty long and strange passage from that author, who was Plato. How could Shakespeare have read Plato?' For Shakespeare knew no Greek, and in his day Plato had not yet been translated into English. It is quite conceivable that Shakespeare might imagine that Plato and Aristotle lived many centuries before Homer, but it is inconceivable that the erudite Bacon should fall into such an error. Andrew Lang does not pretend to solve the riddle. He frankly says, 'I give it up.'—New York World.

RISKY POSTAL SERVICE.

In Russia the Government Opens All Suspicious Packages. Our own service of mails is well organized. There is little doubt in the mind of the average person that when he posts a letter it will reach its destination. But in other lands he might well fear for its safety. In Russia, for instance, any letter or parcel that is regarded with suspicion is immediately opened and its contents noted. A clever machine gums it up again, so that the recipient does not know that it has been tampered with. In Lapland the mails are carried in sledges drawn by reindeer. In the wilds of the Caucasus the postman holds a post of danger. He must be protected against brigands and against the weather, for he often has to climb mountains more than 12,000 feet high. Asiatic Russia, which is apt to be marshy, has the buffalo post, and, of course, the progress made is very slow. Buffaloes are more powerful than oxen, and they are also used in Siberia for carrying the mail. Other postmen in foreign lands are the swimming postman of India and the skilful letter carrier of the Andes. For the latter place the Argentine government specially imports Norwegians. —Exchange.

Mexico's Smoking Mountain.

In 1897 I climbed two volcanoes in Mexico, Popocatepetl, or "the smoking mountain," about 17,800 feet, and Orizaba, the former the most famous because within view from Mexico City and thus a source of especial pride and admiration to the inhabitants, who have been loath to believe that any other of their mountains could be higher. Popo has a really splendid crater, about half a mile across and 1,000 feet deep. The walls are generally vertical, but in one or two places it is possible to descend. When workers are engaged in collecting sulphur machinery is used to hoist them up and down. From Popo's summit there is a glorious prospect, not alone of the immense crater, but of the beautiful "White Lady" (Iztaccibuatl) reclining a thousand feet below, of Orizaba on the far horizon and of the charming valley of Mexico.—Annie S. Peck in Christian Herald.

A Changed Man.

Mrs. Knagg—You were a different man when I married you. Mr. Knagg—I sincerely hope so, for then I was a fool.—Boston Transcript

Cause For Gratitude.

Willie Green—You city kids ought to be thankful that your parents use gas stoves, especially during the hot summer. City Boy—Why? Willie Green—Well, you never heard tell of a boy splitting wood for a gas stove, did you? —Philadelphia Record

A Reversed Program.

"The stage should depict society as it really exists," said the serious person. "Yes," replied Miss Cayenne, "but it doesn't. On the contrary, society tries to imitate the songs, dances and dialect of the stage."—Washington Star.

OUR MARKETS.

Grain and feed quotations are given us by telephone every Wednesday noon by the Jackson Milling Co. Emil G. Bettsch furnishes prices on meats, butter, eggs, etc. E. M. Cupps & Co. prices on hay and potatoes. Farmers and buyers can depend upon them.

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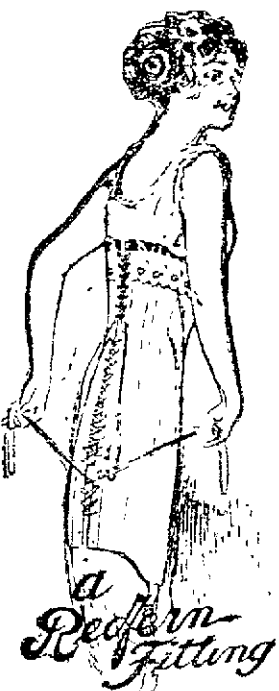
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Real Estate and Fixtures	17,784.68
Cash on hand and in Banks	294,780.37
Due from U. S. Treasurer	2,050.00
Total	\$1,310,293.23

LIABILITIES.

Capital Stock	\$100,000.00
Surplus and Undivided Profits	27,766.07
Circulating Notes	73,300.00
Deposits	1,109,227.16
Total	\$1,310,293.23

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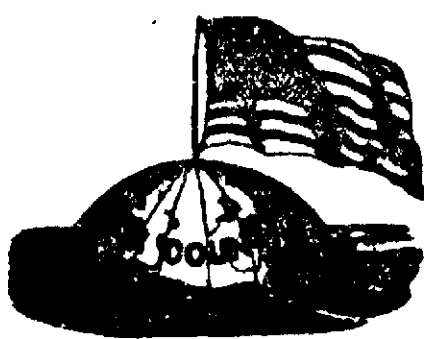
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Guy Carley of Plover, who was driving the large touring car of his father, Wm. Carley, met with an expensive accident in this city last Thursday morning. He was turning the corner at Main and Church streets, going south on the latter thoroughfare, when owing to the wet and slippery condition of the street, the rear of the car skidded, the wheel coming in contact with the curbing with sufficient force to break most of the spokes and damaging the fender.

Membership Largely Increasing.

About twenty desirable candidates became members of Stevens Point Lodge, No. 641, B. P. O. E., last Wednesday evening, and the initiation was followed by a banquet, at which T. H. Hanna presided as toastmaster, responses being made by Don C. Hall, J. H. O'Brien, Dr. G. M. Houlehan, W. E. Fisher and Dr. Franz Krembs. This was the largest class admitted to the lodge since its organization. A number of others will be initiated at the regular meeting to be held next Wednesday evening.

Replaced by Concrete.

As fast as the present wooden flag stations on the Soo line become in need of extensive repairs, they are being replaced with modern concrete ones, according to a statement made by Superintendent C. M. Winter, says the Fond du Lac Reporter.

A concrete flag station has already been placed at Arndt and Packer streets in the city and another one at Lake Shore drive, near the village. The modern structures are built at the company's yards and are then moved bodily to the various sites along the line. The new stations are not only more sanitary, but are also a big improvement in every way over the old wooden ones.

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A story from Chicago says there are calves there worth \$5,000. That's nothing; there are calves on Fifth avenue, New York, worth \$5,000,000.

By Wireless on Christmas Eve

A Yuletide Fantasy

By EARLE HOOKER EATON

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OH, pretty queen of Christmastide, I know your winsome wiles!
You're wreathed in greens and mistletoe, and also wreathed in smiles.
I got a wireless call from you—a C Q D you sent.
I heard the spark coil P D Q and to the rescue went!

THE PHILOSOPHY OF TOYS.

IN olden times—and not so very old at that—playthings were regarded as a weakness to be indulged, not a need to be supplied. Science has changed all that. Today toys are recognized as a necessary part of the child's education. The doll answers to the mother instinct in the heart of the little girl and helps to develop the mother side of her nature. Toys are as essential in the child's training as books. By careful selection they can be made to direct his activities. The heart must be educated as well as the mind.

HOW TO BUY THE CHRISTMAS GIFTS.

The wise shopper will keep last year's list so that he or she may know what was given before and avoid duplications. Another good method is to jot down in a little book any chance hints from friends as to what they want. If this plan is followed throughout the year presents can be bought intelligently that will really be appreciated.

Christmas in France. THE celebration of Christmas varies in different countries and even in different parts of the same country. Of old days it was different in France and England. More recently the French are adopting the American and English Santa Claus and are even introducing the mistletoe.

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For the Children

A Little Mother of New York's East Side



Photo by American Press Association.

Young people who live in the country where flowers and trees and green grass are on every side have playgrounds that the finest city park cannot furnish. Parks in the big cities are comparatively few, and then they are kept more for their beauty than for the entertainment of children. "Keep Off the Grass" is a sign that warns one not to leave the path. Except for a few small playgrounds this rule is rigidly enforced. How different in the country, where fields and woods are free! The happy youngsters may wander at will without fear of reproof. The picture shows a little mother of the east side tenements of New York amusing her baby brother. How she would enjoy a frolic with him in the green meadows instead of being confined to a busy city street!

Fate of the Monkey.

There are, with monkeys as with men, sad possibilities in life. While some live out all their days in peace and pleasure, others are early brought face to face with a very hard fate.

The merry, playful little rascal may be taken by a trader, torn away from his comrades and carried overseas, to become the slave of a traveling organ grinder and to shiver in the strange cold streets of our crowded cities.

Or, again, as he is swinging himself on a slender bough he may become suddenly conscious of a pair of fierce eyes watching him, the eyes of an immense catlike creature, which has a superb buff coat, covered all over with black spots, and paws so strong that a single blow from one of them must be death to poor Jacko.

The leopard preys upon monkeys and is quite able to climb trees in pursuit of them. Even if he could get out of the way the hunted animal is usually too frightened to do so. With a kind of fearful fascination he sits watching the approach of the leopard until, with a spring and a cry, the tragedy is ended.

But that is not always his fate, and, after all, perhaps the monkey, who finds a quick death in his native land, is less to be pitied than the shivering little exile in a red jacket which we sometimes meet about our streets.—C. J. Blake

A Long Way Back.

The earliest authentic date that has been handed down to us was inscribed on the foundation stone of the temple to the sun god at Sippara by Naram-Sin, son of Sargon. This stone was exhumed by Nabonidus, who reigned over Babylon about 554 B. C., and it is asserted that Naram-Sin ruled 3,200 years previously. From these dates we learn that the chronology of Babylon began with the reign of Sargon I., king of Agade, 3800 B. C.

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AFTER sketching for two months in various parts of the Rockies, where he had been trying to forget that he was the most miserable fellow in the west, Claude Extrum, "artist unrivaled," as he styled himself, turned his face toward his lonely mountain cabin among the pines in Rainbow canyon.

Purposely he had shunned Denver, declining the invitation of two artist friends to a big Christmas reception. He did not want to run the possibility of meeting Aldyce. It would be painful to both, since her father had denounced him as a "good for nothing, fortune hunting dabbler."

Art must first be mastered, the cold critics won, then if Aldyce had not forgotten, his great dream would be come sweet reality. But what if she should forget him? There was a capriciousness in the sex that was quite beyond his understanding.

It was noon when he reached the large cabin among the pines. The first room he visited was the studio, gay with warm colored Indian blankets and the walls covered with sketches by his own brush and a few copies of the masters. On his easel was an unfinished picture, just as he had left it when he went away in the latter part of October. He drew aside the cloth, brushed off the dust and looked long into the laughing brown eyes of a lovely girl. Underneath was penciled the name "Aldyce."

With a deep drawn breath he replaced the cover and went into the kitchen. In the large zinc lined provision box he found that Joe Clark, the prospector who had looked after the cabin during Claude's absence, had obeyed his instructions by leaving a sack of flour, some beans, sugar, part of a ham and dried venison.

"Now I'll have a supper after my own appetite," he declared, making a fire in the little stove.

Presently a pot of beans, with a piece of ham to give flavor, was bubbling away. Filling the room with its savory steam. Then Claude swept the floors, wiped the accumulated dust off the simple furniture and proceeded to make a lonely house look comfortable.

"I must decorate to be in spirit with the season," he said, after scanning walls and unadorned mantel shelf.

By the time the young man returned with his arms full of decorations a cold wind was racing down the pass, driving a steadily increasing fall of snow and sleet before it.

"Gee! Old Boreas is sending me some Christmas weather with all the frills," he soliloquized, making a run for the shelter of the cabin.

Claude had scarcely put the last of the mountain holly on the walls and built a cheerful big fire in the fireplace in the studio when the door burst open, letting in a dash of snow, in the midst of which stood a slender youth in a furry overcoat and cap, with huge goggles over his eyes.

"Well, can't you come in and shut the door?" demanded the artist impatiently as he stared at the apparition before him.

"I must look like I'm posing as old Santa, don't I?" laughed the boy. Then, with a start of recognition, "Claude Extrum, as I live and whistle!" Sighting the action to the word, he gave vent to a prolonged whistle.

The artist grew red and white by turns as he recognized the boy. It was the sixteen-year-old brother of Aldyce!

"Hal Bannister!" he cried. "Where did you drop from?"

"From the snow clouds," answered the youth, hugging the surprised artist. "This is some luck, all right, finding shelter, and just think of its being your mountain retreat. Aldyce is out there in the car. The machine broke down just below your cabin."

"Aldyce in the car out in this storm!" cried Claude, buttoning up his coat and rushing to the door.

"Yes. We were on our way to Frazier's, up Bear canyon," Hal shouted his explanation as he clung to his companion's arm through the snowy gale. "The Fraziers are giving an old fashioned Christmas eve party at their ranch house. You know Aldyce and Dell Frazier were great pals at school, so Aldyce was bound to go to the party. I was sure I knew the road there, but this snow came on so suddenly I was a little confused where the roads fork. Aldyce insisted this was the right way, so we came up the wrong canyon."

The artist paid scant heed to young Bannister's explanation. As they sturdily breasted the keen, snow burdened wind toward the crippled car he was thinking:



"HELP! HELP!" SHE CRIED IN MOCK TERROR.

ing what a strange prank fate had played on him. He had wanted to bury himself in his mountain cabin, sixty-five miles away from Aldyce, and here she was, snowbound at his door.

The wrecked automobile in the snow tempest looked like a red rock half buried in raging whitecaps near a stormy shore. In the back seat sat a girl veiled and clad in rich furs.

"Aldyce!" exclaimed Claude, opening the door wide enough to admit his head.

"We are uninvited guests," laughed the girl, giving him one of her small gloved hands. The girl was the more rational of the two, the young artist being too confused to offer the customary courtesies of host.

"Come, Claude, why don't you ask us in? I'm getting cold," she reminded him. "Perhaps you want me to freeze stiff and stark out here so you can have a real model for a famous painting entitled 'Frozen in a Motorcar.'" she laughed lightly.

Without a word in reply she felt herself lifted in the man's strong arms.

The next second he was hurrying her away to the cabin.

"Help, help!" she called in mock terror. "Hal, bring the suit cases. The mountain brigand is carrying off your sister."

Claude Extrum deposited his guest in a great easy chair in front of the blazing pine log on the fireplace. Then he helped her remove her wraps. Presently she sat back quite at her ease, her handsomely shod feet on an improvised footstool, while her face glowed in the dancing firelight.

"What are you cooking, Claude, that smells so tantalizing good?" demanded Hal, sniffing robustly as he found a place for the suit cases in an unoccupied corner of the studio.

"Not a Christmas turkey, you young gastronomer," answered Claude, his somberness leaving him under the merry mood of his two unexpected guests. "It's beans—pure, unadulterated beans," he added, with a tragic air. "This is a regular bean soup evening," observed Aldyce. "I'm sure I shall enjoy it."

"I want the largest bowl in your china collection," ordered Hal, assisting the artist to sift flour for the biscuits. "Nature has endowed me with a big sized attachment for bean soup." "The pot is full," said Claude, lifting the lid to give the boy a peep. "but if you advise an extension we might bring the wash boiler into service."

It was a merry meal to which they sat down as the early dusk of Christmas eve began to creep into the rustic studio. Hal declared the bean soup was nectar, and Aldyce herself plinned up her sleeves and made delicious coffee. But the reaction came to Claude at the close of the feast. He suddenly pushed back his chair from the table and sat moodily staring into the crumbling embers on the hearth.

Aldyce regarded the young man's clouded countenance for a short time in silence, a mysterious twinkle in her dark eyes. Then she arose and walked over to the window.

"Hal," she called to her brother, who showed symptoms of dozing in his chair. "the snow has almost stopped. I want you to go out and see if the car is still properly covered."

With a yawn the young fellow obeyed, whistling merrily as he trudged down the canyon.

Quickly Aldyce opened her suit case, took out a long envelope and laid it before the artist.

"A Christmas gift for you," she said simply, the mysterious smile now lurking at the corners of her mouth. "Open it, Claude."

He obeyed and a crisp check for \$3,000 dropped into his hand. Then he read the accompanying note:

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"Aldyce, how did you learn I was here?" he asked, moving toward her. "Lawrence told me. I was in the studio when Mr. Stevens bought your picture on exhibition there. He was so happy for you he let out your secret that you were coming here to bury yourself for the holidays," she replied. "Then I planned—"

She hesitated, blushed, looking at him with laughing eyes.

"Dell Frazier's party," he finished boldly.

"How dare you insinuate that I fabricated that as an excuse to bring you the good news of your fortune?" she taunted him, assuming a tone of injury.

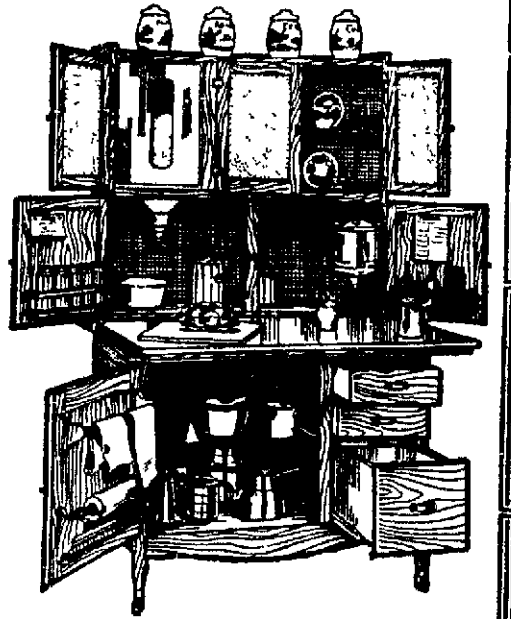
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Fill the inside of the house with kindlings and set fire to them. The fire will burn on the under side, where the heat of the fire keeps it dry. As a stick burns through it falls into the fire that fills the interior of the house. The camper watches the fire and cooks through the opening between the fore stick and the top stick that supports the roof. He also uses the brands and small kindlings through this opening, but puts the sticks on the roof.

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By CLARISSA MACKIE

The sand of the desert shimmered in the intense heat. The sun shone brazenly down from a merciless blue sky. Shifting winds had ruffled the sands into wavelets, with here and there a mountainous billow.

Winding in and out among the billows were shallow indentations—camel tracks in the sand.

Ford Cameron turned to his companion.

"How long, Abdi?"

The Arab leaned from his horse until his face almost touched the sand. With a single movement of his lithe body he sat upright again. "Ten minutes, saire," he said, with a shrug of the shoulder.

Cameron frowned.

"The last caravan we ran into tried to rob us of what the others hadn't stolen," he muttered.

"This is the same one, effendi," remarked Abdi.

"How do you know that?" Cameron's tone was sharp.

Again the Arab shrugged. "I know."

"Let us go another way, then," suggested the American impatiently. "My journey to the ancient ruins of Gib, where I am to join the archaeological expedition, has already been interrupted five times by encounters with bandits and holdups by both Italian and Turkish scouting parties. Is there no other route we may take—one that is less frequented?"

Abdi's fierce glance seemed to overleap the billowed desert and became concentrated on the far horizon, where something glittered for an instant and then vanished.

"There is a different route that may prove to be safer," he said at last.

"Lead the way, then," ordered Cameron impatiently.

Obediently the Arab wheeled his horse to the left, away from the route which they had chosen and which was the same taken by the thieving caravan whose camel tracks had momentarily halted their journey.

As Cameron followed his guide he occasionally threw a glance over to the right, where one might reasonably expect to glimpse some trace of the caravan which had passed only ten minutes before. He was hoping that they would elude the thieving Arabs who had plundered their provisions and tried to steal their horses. A quick battle with automatic revolvers and a repeating rifle had put the Arabs to flight. But they hovered near. One day's uninterrupted journey would bring him to the expedition camp on the site of ancient Gib. Urgent business had prevented his joining the party at the appointed place; consequently he had to make this lonely trip across northern Tripoli with the uncertain loyalty of an Arab dragoman as his sole dependence.

Cameron decided to be on the lookout for treachery from his dragoman.

"What is that?" he asked suddenly.

Abdi inclined his ear respectfully. A faint yapping sound broke the stillness. "Jackals," declared Abdi, shrugging his shoulders.

Cameron knew that the Arab had felt that his suspicions were confirmed. Therefore he said nothing.

He drank some strong coffee of his own preparation and ate a few tinned biscuits from his own saddlebags. He decided not to sleep that night. In an unguarded moment Abdi might murder him with a shot from the silver mounted rifle he carried slung over his burnoose.

Cameron propped his saddle against a sand hillock and, sitting down, leaned his head against the leather bags. His cartridge belt was buckled outside his coat and in either hand he held an automatic revolver.

The three horses, Abdi's, his own and the pack horse, which carried his luggage, were grouped near at hand.

Once again there came the distant cry—of the jackals? Cameron believed otherwise. Abdi turned his head away and listened.

"It is a signal cry," thought Cameron, who knew something of the wireless telegraphy of the desert tribes. "I wonder if it relates to my affairs or are they on the trail of Italian scouts? Very likely they are on the scent of other game—something bigger than I can offer with my meager equipment and silver watch."

After awhile he arose and stretched himself, offering a splendid target for Abdi's rifle, but the tall Arab did not even turn his head. He was staring out into the fathomless gloom of the desert as if his falcon eyes would pierce its mysteries.

Cameron remained standing. He felt a vague uneasiness creeping over him. He thought he heard footsteps padding to and fro in the soft sand among the hillocks. There seemed to be a burden of whispering in the still air, but whenever he grew rigid and tense with listening there was nothing save the murmuring breeze troubling the grains of sand.

The horses stirred restlessly and one of them whinnied. Cameron caught the beginning of an answering whinny—it was never ended. Something stifled it into silence.

"What was that, Abdi?" asked Cameron sharply.

The Arab turned. "That, effendi? Thy servant sneezed!"

A grim smile curved Cameron's lips. "Traitor," he muttered to himself as he listened.

After that a great silence fell upon the desert. The wind ceased blowing. The horses drooped their heads and were quiet. Abdi stood a dark statue throwing a gigantic shadow on the sand.

Cameron's eyes ached with the watching and with a longing for sleep to come to his burning eyelids.

Suddenly a tiny spark appeared at the top of a nearby hillock. It disappeared.

Instantly Abdi struck a fusee and lighted a cigarette. As his lean dark face was exposed in the glow of the brief light, Cameron saw a look of eagerness spread over the grim features of his dragoman.

"A signal," decided Cameron, wondering whether it would not be wiser to bowl the traitor over with one shot now and if there was to be a battle let it begin at once and have it over with.

There would be small chance of his escaping alive if the enemy should surround him as they would be likely to do. Even now they might be crouching behind the very sand dune against which he was leaning.

Almost anything was better than the strain of waiting for something to happen. He would give them ten minutes more and then—. He glanced at his watch and saw that it was two hours after midnight.

He was impatient at the idea of having his arrival at Gib delayed by another day and he could not understand Abdi's stupidity in prolonging the journey except in the light of having betrayed his master to the bandits.

Abdi smoked his cigarette peacefully and finally flung the burning end to the ground. Cameron watched for some answering signal but saw nothing.

"Perhaps it's the signal to attack now," he muttered and at that instant Abdi turned swiftly and yelled at him. "Baalek!" (Lookout!) was his cry, and it was flung as a warning to Cameron.

Cameron dropped into the shadow of the hillock and awaited with quickened pulses the swift padding of feet among the sand dunes. He saw Abdi throw himself into a similar attitude and he was ashamed that he had mistrusted the loyal fellow even as he thrilled with the realization that he was not fighting alone—there were two of them.

Abdi had the point of vantage; he could see what was coming. Cameron watched his dark form.

Suddenly Abdi sprang to his full height and screamed fanatically: "La ilah Allah, Mohammed Rasoul il Allah!"

There came a sharp shot out of the silence that followed his challenging cry, and the Arab tumbled back, clutching his arm.

"Come on out of that, you jackals!" sang out a strong English speaking voice from the direction of the shot that had wounded Abdi.

Cameron's breath nearly left his body.

"Hi, there! Who are you?" he called out.

"The devil!" was the astonishing explosive retort. "Come on, Appleby; let's investigate this civilized individual." And footsteps came nearer, nearer, and finally rounded the hillock against which the groaning Abdi leaned, and two men dressed in European garments and wearing white pith helmets appeared.

They stopped at sight of the group of three horses, the wounded Arab and the solitary form of the American in garb similar to their own.

"Appleby, who is your fool friend?" asked Cameron coolly as he approached them.

"Ford Cameron!" ejaculated Appleby, staring with all his might. "Have we been stalking you all the evening?"

"You have," returned Cameron grimly. "It's a wonder you didn't get potted. What did you think we were, eh?"

"Bandits. We heard you were coming. How? Desert wireless, of course. Thought we'd come out and meet you. Started yesterday and got lost. Last night the pesky robbers harried us all over the desert. Thought we were in for another night of it, only we changed about and hunted the hunters. Funny, isn't it?"

Appleby rattled lightly on as his companion leaned over the groaning Arab, deftly ripped the covering from his shoulder and made a brief examination of the wound by the light of an electric pocket lamp that quite awed Abdi into submission.

"A mere scratch," he pronounced brusquely as he took out a small case from his pocket, applied ointment and bandages. "There, my good fellow; you'll be all right in a day or so. Mighty sorry I pinked you, but it was fortunes of war."

He pressed a gold coin into the Arab's eager hand, and, waving aside the murmured thanks, he joined the other two men.

"Let me introduce Dr. Ransom," said Appleby to Cameron. "He's the medical end of the expedition."

The three sat and talked in the dimming moonlight, while Abdi slumbered fitfully.

When day dawned Cameron mounted a hillock and looked in all directions. Against the eastern sky stood palm trees in dark silhouette.

"The ruins of Gib!" he shouted down to his companions.

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It Di n't Come Off as Expected

By F. A. MITCHEL

I was starting one morning to attend to some affairs connected with my estate when at the door I met a telegraph messenger. He handed me the envelope and the book for signature at the same time and I signed the one before looking at the other. The boy darted away, a d, tearing open the envelope, I read the telegram.

I need you very much. Do come to me

GWEN

Now, how is any one by that name to do what I should have done in the first place—investigate. The address was "A. J. Courtney." My name is Alonzo Jackson Courtney. So far all right. I live at 107 Renwick street. I did not know the address on the envelope, though there was no street or number written on the message. The place from which it had been sent was Tippeton, a city about an hour's ride from the one in which I lived.

My first impulse was to send the message to the telegraph office with the information that the operator had made a mistake in sending it to me. Then I fell to wondering who was Gwen and why she needed some other fellow with my name. Singular that the initials should be exactly the same in both. Was it, after all, a mistake? I thought hard for a few minutes, then remembered a girl by the name of Gwen I had met at a summer resort and with whom I had had a mild flirtation.

"I've a good mind to follow the thing up," I said to myself, and I did.

I took the first train for Tippeton, where, at the office from which the message had been sent, I learned the address of the sender. Going to the house, a very respectable residence on a good street, and being admitted, I sent up my card, telling the maid to take it to Miss Gwendolin. Word came back that Miss Carrington was not able to see me at present, but hoped I would call again. The maid, however, handed me a sealed envelope containing an admission ticket to the opera, and on a bit of paper was written:

Box 6. This evening. Don't fail.

This was a trifle more than I had bargained for. I was quite unprepared to find a young lady in her own house and asking her why she had summoned me, but to accept a ticket to the opera under false pretenses was quite another matter. However, I was in for it, and to repay the obligation I dropped in at a florist's and sent Miss Carrington a box of flowers. This relieved my conscience. Then I returned home and during the afternoon put on evening dress, dined early and went back to Tippeton, arriving at the opera house before the curtain rose.

I took a seat in the parquet where I could look up at box 6 and waited. During the overture a young lady, attended only by a maid, entered the box and, throwing off her wraps, took a seat where she was partly concealed by a curtain. I saw her long enough to assure me that I had never seen her before.

I tried hard during the first act to screw up my courage to visit her in her box, but failed. However, when the curtain fell for the first time I gathered sufficient nerve to face her. I would offer the best excuse I could for my action, giving her to understand that I had simply called on her to notify her that her telegram had reached the wrong person. I knocked at the box door and heard a musical voice bid me enter. The lady kept her seat as I did so, drawing the curtain a little farther forward.

"Mr. Courtney, I presume?" she said. You could have knocked me down with a feather. I certainly had not counted on her not knowing the man to whom she had sent the telegram. I had got ready with my excuses, but they were not available. Instead of putting the lady right at once I stood stock still, not knowing what to say. So when she presumed that I was Mr. Courtney I bowed an assent, and, not caring to have an audience witness what might occur, I took a vacant chair behind the same curtain that screened Miss Carrington. Before I could gather my wits to speak she plunged into the subject that was on her mind.

"Maud has told me all," she said, "and has asked me to help her, saying she had notified you that she had placed the management of the whole affair in my hands. I therefore telegraphed you that I needed to confer with you or words to that effect. I preferred not to do so at the house, fearing some one would overhear or suspect and your and Maud's happiness might be wrecked."

"Pardon me?" "I beg of you to let me go on. The plan I propose is rather complicated, and I shall have to submit it to you in detail that you may understand it; that there may be no link in the chain left out when it is put in operation."

"Do permit me to say something to you or I shall be placed in the dishonorable position of listening to secrets that I have no right to hear."

"What in the world do you mean?" "A mistake has been made. I received your telegram, but was not sure it was or was not for me. The only

course that seemed to be open to me was to answer your summons in person and."

"Alert you Arthur Courtney?"

"No, I am Alonzo Courtney, but if I can be of any assistance to an elopement."

"My goodness gracious!"

She pulled herself together and seemed to be thinking. Presently she said: "I wish you were not entirely unknown to me and the parties concerned."

"If I am to help you it may be better that I should be unknown to the others."

"That's a good idea. Our trouble will be that any one of our friends acting in the matter would be suspected at once."

"Suppose you begin by stating the case to me."

She thought for a moment then gave me the required statement.

Her friend Maud Dempster was in love with the young man bearing my name. Her mother had arranged a match for her to suit herself rather than the daughter. Maud had very foolishly threatened to elope, and this had caused her mother to keep her virtually a prisoner. Now that she really intended getting away, she regretted having put her mother on her guard.

"Does her mother know that she desires to marry this Mr. Courtney?"

"Certainly."

"Then it will be difficult for him to act directly in the matter. He will need an assistant."

Now, I took no interest whatever in Arthur Courtney or Miss Dempster, but I was delighted with the third party to the affair, who was for the moment my companion.

"Do please lay a plan," she said. "I have no inventive power whatever."

"Let me see. How would it do for me to secure an introduction to Miss Dempster and show her some attention, thus throwing her mother off her guard?"

"Better take care. Maud is very fascinating."

I smiled. This was just like a girl, but there was the least bit of give away to it, which pleased me.

"I assure you," I said, "I am, or have been, fancy free."

"What do you mean by 'have been'?"

"I would rather not explain."

How easy it is to say one thing and look another. She understood perfectly that the chance which had come over me dated from the moment I entered her box. Nevertheless she imitated me by saying what she did not mean.

"Pardon me. I do not desire to trespass upon your private affairs."

"What do you think of my plans?"

"The very thing."

There was a flourish of trumpets and a rattle of drums on the part of the orchestra, and we listened to an act of the opera before resuming the matter on which we were supposed to be mutually interested. It was not till the end of the performance that we were enabled to resume the discussion of our conspiracy, and then there was no opportunity, since the opera having been finished the house was closed for every other purpose.

"I may see you home?" I asked.

"My maid is waiting."

"But you will grant me the favor?"

"Oh, certainly!"

Well, I called the next evening, and while we gave some time to laying a plan by which the elopement might be effected we reached no definite conclusion. I went away with a desire to plan my own elopement with Gwen. When I parted with her she said she would see Maud the next day, have a conference with her and notify me of the result. Two days later I received a note asking me to call. I did so and learned that both Maud and the real Courtney were much pleased with the plan of using me to get the young lady out of her mother's clutches, but nothing decisive was reached. One would suppose that this being the case there was no use sending for me. Since there was nothing to do in the matter, we devoted ourselves to our own affairs rather than those of Maud and Arthur.

I made a number of visits for the purpose of laying a plan by which two lovers might be made happy, but somehow or other the plan didn't get perfected, or, rather, we found we couldn't bring the elopers to anything definite. At one time Arthur would be ready and Maud would shrink from action. Then Maud would nerve herself to fight, and Arthur would find that something stood in his way. A month passed during which Gwen and I held more than a dozen consultations upon the matter in question, neither admitting to the other that we were more interested in each other than in Maud and Arthur.

A second month of consultation followed the first, during which there was less said about our friend's affairs and more about our own. Occasionally I would ask Gwen if there was any news concerning the proposed elopement, and she would reply that the parties were waiting for something.

One evening when I called on Gwen I found that she had something on her mind.

"I expect you'll blame me awfully," she said.

"What for?"

"Not telling you something."

"What?"

"Why, Maud and Arthur have eloped."

"Eloped? When?"

"Why, three weeks ago."

"You don't mean it!"

There was a pause during which Gwen looked very guilty. I caught her in my arms and that was the end of the proposed elopement for us.

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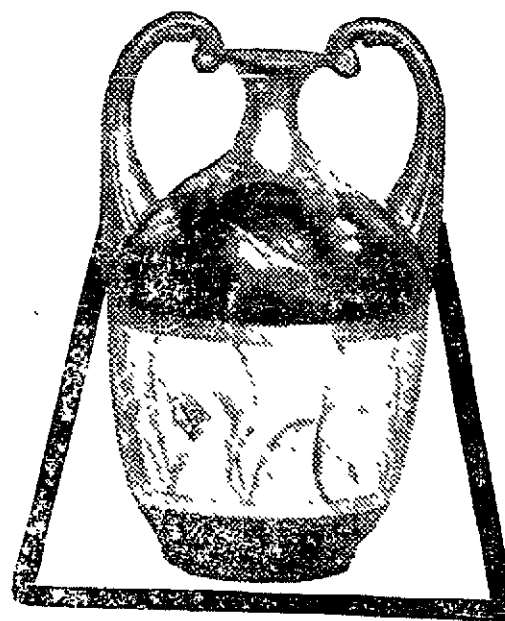
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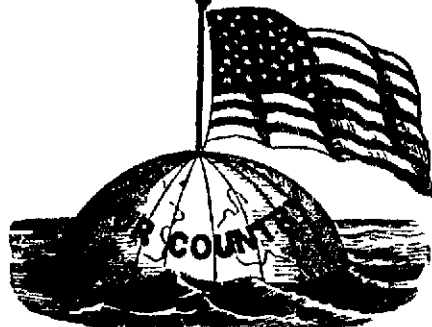
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NEVADA DIVORCE LAW IS UPHELD

Oddie Says Marriage Question of Eugenics, Not Religion.

BLEASE RAILS AT JOHNSON

Declares Negro Fighter Would Have Been Lynched Without Executive Interference in South Carolina—Governors in Tears.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 7.—Gov. Cole L. Blease of South Carolina for the second time startled the governors' conference, in session here, by a vigorous defense of lynching by mob on Thursday, when he declared that Jack Johnson, the negro pugilist who married a white woman in Chicago recently, would have been lynched long ago without executive interference had he lived in South Carolina. Other features of the conference were an address by Miss Kate Bannard of Oklahoma who made the statement that 5,000 children annually die in the United States from the effects of the glass factories alone and Governor Oddie's discussion of the divorce problem, in which he defended Nevada's divorce laws and said that marriage was not a sentimental or religious question, but one of eugenics.

Governor Blease's dramatic approval of lynch law came during the discussion which followed the reading of Governor Oddie's (Nevada) paper.

If there is any disgrace to American civilization and to American womanhood," commenced Governor Blease, "it is the sale of our women for foreign titles. Next in order of disgracefulness is the unprecedented number of divorces which have recently been granted in the United States. There is, and can be, no divorce in my state (Appause). South Carolina acknowledges the inviolable sanctity of the marriage tie, and had that negro who boasts of his supremacy with his fists made the advances to the white girl in South Carolina that he did in Illinois he would have met that immediate and summary punishment which brutes of his color and stamp deserve. There would have been no interference from higher authority, either."

Here Governor Carey of Wyoming interrupted to ask:

"Did you not in taking the office, swear to uphold and protect the constitution of South Carolina?" (Appause.)

Red with anger, the South Carolina governor shouted:

"I will tell you, as I told the people of my state before I was re-elected, that if the constitution comes between me and my duty as a protector of white women—then to — with the constitution."

At the mention of the infernal regions half the women present arose and left the hall, signifying their disapproval of the South Carolinian's language. They returned when, a few moments later, he concluded his remarks.

ELEVEN KILLED IN WRECK

Victims on Pennsylvania Train Are Cooked to Death.

Zanesville, O., Dec. 5.—Eleven persons were killed and four injured Tuesday night in a rear-end collision on the Pennsylvania railroad near Dresden, O.

Passengers were hurled from their seats and every avenue of escape being cut off, they were literally cooked alive from escaping steam from the engine beneath them.

Henry Balbar, fifty, Cleveland. Max Harris, thirty, Lodis, O. L. H. Blaney, twenty-four, brake-man, Zanesville, O.

Harry Bartles, thirty, Adrian, Mich. Mrs. B. A. Emerson, thirty-two, Zanesville, O.; her two children, aged two years and three years.

Unknown man. Wilbur Rudrick, forty, city bridge carpenter.

Jacob Burgey, fifty, Zanesville, O., traveling man.

Mrs. Nellie Taylor, thirty-five, Zanesville, O.

EDDIE M'GOORTY IS VICTOR.

Earns Decision Over Mike Gibbons in Great Sparring Match.

New York, Dec. 6.—In a fast and scientific boxing bout of ten rounds, which went the limit, Eddie McGoorty of Oshkosh, Wis., on Wednesday outpointed Mike Gibbons of St. Paul, Minn., by a small margin at the Garden Athletic club. It was a bout in which clever boxing with fine blocking, was the salient features. Few hard blows were landed, and at the finish both men left the ring scarcely marked. Because heavy blows failed to land the crowd was disappointed. The patrons came to see a fight, not a boxing match, and were angry because one or the other fighter was not stretched on the floor.

COMMANDER BULLARD



Commander W. H. G. Bullard is the new chief of the navy department's radiotelegraphy office, in charge of all the wireless stations of that department. The office was established by Secretary Meyer because of the proportions to which the wireless service has grown.

\$1,159,445 IS GIVEN TO ELECT GOV. WILSON

Charles R. Crane Was One of the Largest of 89,854 Contributors to the National Fund.

Washington, Dec. 6.—A statement, filed with the clerk of the house Wednesday in accordance with the campaign publicity law, shows that it cost the Democratic national committee \$1,159,445 to elect Woodrow Wilson president of the United States in the November election.

The committee, according to its statement, on November 30 had a balance on hand of \$24,958, and the total contributions received from one source and another amounted to \$1,184,404.

There were 89,854 individual contributors and \$8,229 of these sent in sums that were less than \$100.

Charles R. Crane of Chicago, Cleveland H. Dodge and Herman Ridder of New York were the star contributors. Crane gave \$40,000; Dodge, \$35,000, and Ridder contributed \$25,000, exclusive of several minor gifts. Samuel Untermyer, counsel for the house money trust committee, contributed \$10,000. The more important contributions were:

William J. Bryan, \$1,000; Ex Mayor Phelan of San Francisco, \$2,000; Henry Coleman, New York, \$10,000; Jacob H. Schiff, \$12,000; Percy Belmont, \$1,000; Rolla Wells, \$5,000; Charles Smith of Kenosha, \$5,000; J. W. Gerard, \$13,000; J. C. Mayo of Kentucky, \$5,000; C. A. Spreckels, \$5,000; ex-Gov. D. R. Francis of Missouri, \$1,000; Senator Watson of West Virginia, \$5,000; Mrs. Virginia Vanderbilt, \$3,000; Roger Sullivan, \$5,000; Nathan Straus, \$5,000; Ex-Senator Clark of Montana, \$5,000; Charles S. Guggenheim of New York, \$10,000; C. F. S. Peabody of Chicago, \$6,500; H. M. Baruch, \$12,500; Mayor Fitzgerald of Boston, \$1,000; Governor Foss of Massachusetts, \$5,000, and Jacob Ruppert of New York, \$10,000.

RAIL MERGER TO DISSOLVE.

Supreme Court Holds Sherman Law Was Violated by U. P. Roads.

Washington, Dec. 4.—Declaring the great Harriman transcontinental railroad combination in restraint of trade and illegal, the Supreme court of the United States on Monday dissolved the merger of the Southern Pacific, the Union Pacific and the Salt Lake lines—a merger which represented the crowning achievement of the late H. H. Harriman. The decision sustained the government's suit against the combination under the Sherman anti-trust law which was instigated by Theodore Roosevelt in 1908 and prosecuted by Frank B. Kellogg, the Minnesota trust buster, who continued to work upon it through President Taft's administration.

WILSON RETURNS DECEMBER 14.

President-Elect Decides to End His Vacation Next Week.

Hamilton, Bermuda, via Kingston, Dec. 7.—President-elect Woodrow Wilson has decided to end his vacation one week from next Saturday, December 14. On that day, providing there is no change in his plans, Governor Wilson will sail for New York on the Bermudian. The ship is due to arrive in New York on December 16.

SENATE TAKES UP ARCHBALD CHARGE

Upper Chamber Hears Case Against Commerce Judge.

IS IMPEACHED BY HOUSE

Allegations That He Used Office for Personal Gains Is Denied by Jurist Whose Acts Are Under Fire.

Washington, Dec. 5.—Judge Robert W. Archbald of the United States commerce court sat before the bar of the senate Tuesday and heard himself referred to as one who had "prostituted his high official position to personal profit," who had "commercialized his potentiality as a judge," and who had "degraded his office and destroyed the confidence of the public in his integrity."

To this arraignment by Congressman Clayton of Alabama, representing the managers of the house of representatives in the impeachment proceedings against the jurist, Judge Archbald's chief counsel, A. S. Worthington, made an emphatic reply. He declared the house had brought proceedings against Judge Archbald upon facts that, if properly analyzed, showed the jurist's motives to be unquestionable.

"Misbehavior and misdemeanors" in office were the formal charges against Judge Archbald. The indictment presented by the house consists of thirteen articles, a most scathing and bitter arraignment of the federal judge. Use of his office for personal profit is the substance of all the charges against the defendant. He is charged with attempting to float deals in refuse coal deposits in Pennsylvania, through railroad officials, and also improper receipt of favors from attorneys before his court.

Sweeping denial of wrongdoing was made by Judge Archbald to every one of the thirteen charges against him. He contends that no improper motive can be predicated from any of his acts, private or official, and that he never gained or sought to profit by improper use of his office.

Ouster of Archbald will require a vote of two-thirds of the senators, although a majority only of the house was required for his impeachment.

The trial had its inception in a complaint filed last February before Interstate Commerce Commissioner Henry B. Meyer by William P. Boland, president and general manager of the Marlan Coal company of Scranton, Pa. Boland told Meyer he feared Archbald had been or was interested in aiding certain railroads in Boland's litigation with the carriers.

The defense of Judge Archbald lost the first test submitted to the senate when a determined fight was made against the admission of the contract entered into between E. J. Williams of Scranton and William P. Boland and "a silent partner" on the other hand. This silent partner was Judge Archbald, and Attorney Worthington contended there was nothing to show that Judge Archbald knew anything of the contract. By a vote of 55 to 6 the senate put the contract into the records.

The only witness heard was E. J. Williams, an unwilling witness and friendly to Archbald, although called by the prosecution. Williams admitted that Archbald was the "silent partner" and was to share in the benefits of the coal deal on a one-third basis. He said he was willing to do this for the judge because he had "used his influence for him." The witness also admitted that when he came to Washington to testify before the house committee his expenses had been paid by Judge Archbald.

LAKE SHIP BELIEVED LOST.

Schooner Carrying 13 Men Sunk in Lake Michigan.

Chicago, Dec. 6.—The three-masted schooner, Rouse Simmons, known as the "Christmas ship" because she is loaded with Christmas trees, has been lost with all hands. All hope that the vessel is afloat was abandoned Wednesday when storm-tossed wreckage and several trees were found on the beach near Pentwater, Mich., and Two Rivers, Wis. There were probably thirteen men on board the schooner.

PICTURE FILMS NOT EDISON'S.

Court Declares "Electrical Wizard" Only Improved Apparatus.

Washington, Dec. 4.—The court of appeals of the District of Columbia detracted a tithe from the achievements of Thomas A. Edison when they reversed the decision of a lower court and decided that he was not the inventor of the moving picture film. The court held that moving pictures had been invented by George Eastman of Rochester, N. Y., and that Edison's contribution to the art rested solely in the improvement of the camera.

MISS ETHEL NOYES



Miss Ethel Noyes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank B. Noyes of Washington and Chicago, is one of the season's debutantes. She will spend the winter in the national capital.

GREECE SIGNS ARMISTICE; HOSTILITIES ARE STOPPED

Servia Orders Its Forces in the Field to Cease Operations—Peace Envoys Are Named.

Paris, Dec. 7.—The Petit Parisien has received a dispatch from Constantinople asserting that Greece has concluded an armistice with the porte. Athens, Dec. 7.—It is officially announced that Greek plenipotentiaries will be appointed to participate in the peace conference in London on December 16.

The Greeks are still bombarding Janina, according to dispatches from the front.

Belgrade, Dec. 7.—The Servian government has ordered its forces in the field to cease operations and named as delegates to the peace conference in London A. Nikolic, speaker of the Servian parliament; General Beyovitch and G. Novakovich of the treasury department.

Salonica, Dec. 7.—A force of Greek troops encountered a detachment of 1,000 Turks at the village of Bovatsico and routed them after a stubborn battle. The Turks lost 250 killed and wounded. Thirty were taken prisoners. The Turks were in the act of pillaging the village when the Greeks opened the attack.

Cettinje, Montenegro, Dec. 7.—General rejoicing welcomed the proclamation of the armistice here. The newspapers doubt, however, if the allies will be able to maintain their martial victories in the peace conference.

Former Premier Mityuskovitch will head the delegates to the peace conference. The other delegates are Count Veynovitch, chief of the king's cabinet, and M. Popovitch, Montenegrin minister at Constantinople.

London Dec. 7.—It was announced that Servia has definitely decided to leave her case in the hands of the great powers.

HOUSE PASSES ADAMSON BILL.

Commerce Board May Make Physical Valuation of Railroads.

Washington, Dec. 7.—Amended to authorize a complete investigation into the question of interstate carrier corporations' stock and bond issues, the bill by Representative Adamson, empowering the Interstate commerce commission to make a physical valuation of the property of railroads and other common carriers, was passed by the house without a dissenting vote.

The measure, asked for by the Interstate commerce commission, would provide for a far-reaching inquiry with the view of having railroad rates fixed on the basis of income on actual investment.

JURY ACQUITS JOHN SNEAD.

Texas Accused of Slaying Capt. Boyce Found Not Guilty.

Fort Worth, Tex., Dec. 4.—J. H. Snead was found not guilty of the murder of Captain Boyce by a jury on Tuesday. Snead will be tried later for the murder of Al Boyce. Al Boyce, who eloped with John Real Snead's wife, Boyce was shot and instantly killed by John Real Snead at Amarillo on September 14.

BLEASE IS CENSURED

GOVERNORS PASS RESOLUTION DENOUNCING SOUTHERNER FOR LYNCH LAW VIEWS.

VOTE AGAINST IS 14 TO 4

South Carolinian Defies All of Conference After Hot Attack in Defense of Convictions—Meet in Colorado Springs Next.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 9.—The governors' convention adjourned Friday night to meet again at Colorado Springs, Colo., next August, after the stormiest session on record.

The feature of the day's session was the passage of the O'Neal resolution censuring Governor Blease of South Carolina for his advocacy of lynch law and his declaration that the constitution of South Carolina could "go to hell."

The governor of Alabama introduced his motion at the close of the morning session and it immediately became the storm center of two factions, one favoring the resolution, the other opposing it because of its irrelevancy and because it censured a fellow member of the conference.

The former section was led by Governors O'Neal and Gilchrist; the latter by Governors Donaghy and Kitchin.

Governor Blease waited until the discussion was practically at an end. Then he arose and shouted:

"I have received four letters threatening my life—the authors say they will shoot me on sight. I don't care for them—I don't care for your resolution. Go ahead, censure me, repudiate me. I defy you. I will not retract one of my statements. When you are basking, forgotten in private life, I will be enjoying the plaudits of the people in the United States senate."

"I hold in my hand the fourth letter threatening my life. I have received this morning. It was handed me just now by some one I didn't know and it was addressed to me in the care of the governor of Virginia."

"I know nothing of the letter, sir," retorted Governor Mann of Virginia. "I never heard of it before; I did not receive it; I know nothing of its contents."

"It doesn't matter," continued Governor Blease. "I speak nobody's opinion but my own. The newspaper headlines have misrepresented me. When I spoke about the marriage of Jack Johnson in Chicago I did not say he would be lynched in South Carolina; I did not say that the laws of my state forbade the marriage and I did say that I did not know, if the marriage had been performed in South Carolina, whether the law protecting him would have been possible of enforcement or not."

"When I said I never would order out the militia to protect the black brute who laid his desecrating hand upon a white woman I spoke the truth. I say it now again. That is my position, gentlemen, and if you don't agree with me, in the words of the great Virginian, 'go to it!'"

Roll call on the resolution found Governors Donaghy, Kitchin, Baldwin and Hawley against it, the other fourteen present in favor of it. Governor Blease declined to vote and did not appear at the later session.

U. S. WILL ARM AMERICANS

Mexico's Inability to Protect Them Leads War Department to Act—Refused Girls Rebels Destroy.

Washington, Dec. 9.—Because the Mexican federal government has shown itself unable to afford protection to Americans in Mexico, the war department Friday authorized General Steever, in command of troops on the border to send quantities of carbines and ammunition to American ranchers and miners at Hermosillo, Sonora and Durango.

Mexico City, Dec. 9.—Rebel operations throughout Mexico were marked by several of the most daring outrages Friday.

A band of Zapatistas, enraged when the residents of the town of Valle de Bravo in the state of Mexico, refused to send out to them nineteen young girls, rushed into the town and destroyed it, seizing everything of value. The residents had fled to the surrounding hills after refusing the demand of the rebels.

Eighty-Two Fishermen Die in Storm.

Lisbon, Portugal, Dec. 9.—Not fewer than eighty-two Portuguese fishermen lost their lives during a storm on the coast of Portugal Friday. The survivors suffered severe privation, being without food or water.

Phone Company's Charter Forfeited.

Trenton, N. J., Dec. 9.—Chancellor Walker discharged Frederic L. Johnson as receiver for the United States Independent Telephone company Friday and ordered that the company be dissolved and its charter forfeited.

WISCONSIN BREVITIES

Beloit—William H. Carpenter, one of the proprietors of the New Grand hotel, attempted to commit suicide with chloroform. He will recover.

Manitowoc.—After 25 years, one of the many bodies of the Vernon disaster off Two Rivers, which were buried as "unknown," has been identified. Mrs. Edmund Longyear, Minneapolis, Minn., who visited Two Rivers, is convinced that her brother, John Patten, who was on the ill-fated boat, is buried in grave No. 6. Mrs. Longyear recognized some of the effects taken from the body, which have been preserved. The Vernon was wrecked 25 years ago and nearly thirty lives were lost. A monument now marks the "unknown."

Beloit.—Miss May Topping, for whom the police in many parts of the country were watching, is living at Sparta, having been married to a Greek. This information is contained in letters received by friends in this city. Miss Topping disappeared from her home in Delavan on October 27. She had been teaching in the high school there for several weeks and several theories were advanced to account for her absence.

Chilton.—That A. M. Fairchild, the Milwaukee road operator at Kiel, found dead with a bullet hole in his head, was murdered, is the contention of Mrs. Annie Scholl of Newark, O., the dead man's mother. Mrs. Scholl identified the victim's photograph. She said the dead man was her son, that his real name was Carl Meyers and that he carried a considerable sum of money. No money was found on the body.

Marquette.—Horace Vandoozen, eighty years old, the oldest police chief of the country, died at Menominee, Mich. Vandoozen was police chief at Sturgeon Bay until five years ago when he retired and made his home since with his son, Charles, a member of the Menominee police force. Vandoozen was a Civil war veteran. Two years ago he and his wife celebrated their golden wedding.

Manitowoc.—A victim of heart failure, Miss Catherine Knox, nineteen years old, a student, was found dying in her room at her home, a few miles from this city. Members of the family were awakened by the girl's moaning. She succumbed before physicians arrived.

La Crosse.—Richard Gifford, twenty-two years old, was instantly killed when he fell through the pole hole at No. 4 fire station, breaking his neck.

Madison.—"And the judgment of the court is that you be punished by imprisonment in the state penitentiary at Waupun for the balance of your natural life." In these words Judge Stevens sentenced James Lynch, James Croft and Edward Olson, convicted of the murder of Peter Olstad, July 19, 1912, after he had denied a motion for a new trial. Each protested his innocence to the end.

Port Washington.—John Kramer shot a 230-pound buck, which was the largest deer brought into Ozaukee county this year.

Washburn.—Helmer Christiansen, fourteen years old, had a thrilling experience with a female bear which he killed north of this city. Together with two companions, the lad was deer hunting in the country known as the Brown Robbins slashings, when he came upon a large bear. It became angered and made toward the lad and was within a few feet of him when he fired the shot that ended its life. The bear weighed more than 200 pounds.

Appleton.—Fred C. Booth, formerly traveling representative for the Swift Packing company and for some time a resident of Milwaukee, was knocked unconscious and robbed of about \$100 while in Appleton on the night of June 29, 1911. For more than a week he was in a dangerous condition and unable to tell the authorities much about the holdup. Appleton police have been working on the case ever since. George Christl now occupies a cell, charged with the robbery and assault. Christl was arraigned in court, placed under \$1,000 bonds and his trial put over to December 9.

Kenosha.—Mrs. Anna Nestour, twenty-eight years old, died at her home in this city. Death came as a result of an unusual shock. A year ago the husband of the woman was bitten by a dog and died in the agonies of hydrophobia. The wife nursed her husband during the disease and her nerves were so shattered by the horror of his last days that she never recovered from the shock. She leaves two small children.

CONGRESS HEARS SECOND MESSAGE

President Tells of Treasury and Army Affairs.

PHILIPPINES ARE INCLUDED

Bill for Natives' Independence De-nounced as Premature—Progress of Panama Canal.

Washington, Dec. 6.—Congress today received from President Taft the second of his messages to the short session. It deals with fiscal, military, insular and judicial affairs and in part is as follows:

The condition of the country with reference to business could hardly be better. While the four great industries have not drawn to a close have not developed great speculative expansion or wide field of new investment, the recovery and progress made from the depression conditions following the panic of 1907 have been steady and the improvement has been clear and easily traced in the statistics. The business of the country is now on a solid basis. Credits are not unduly extended and every phase of the situation seems in a state of preparedness for a period of unexampled prosperity. Manufacturing concerns are running at their full capacity and the demand for labor was never so constant and growing. The foreign trade of the country for this year will exceed \$4,000,000,000, while the balance in our favor—that of the excess of exports over imports—will exceed \$500,000,000. More than half our exports are manufactures or partly manufactured material, while our imports of farm products do not show the same increase of domestic consumption. It is a year of bumper crops. The average value of farm products will exceed \$500,000,000. It is a year when the bushel of wheat and of agricultural products has gradually fallen, and yet the total value of the entire crop is greater by over \$1,000,000,000 than we have known in our history.

Condition of the Treasury.

The condition of the treasury is very satisfactory. The total interest-bearing debt is \$2,777,777,000, of which \$1,831,380,000 constitute the Panama canal loan. The non-interest-bearing debt is \$737,391,243.90, including \$346,611,000 of greenbacks. We have in the treasury \$150,000,000 in gold coin as a reserve against the outstanding greenbacks; and in addition we have a cash balance in the treasury as a general fund of \$107,152,453.99, an increase of \$26,975,532 over the general fund last year.

Receipts and Expenditures.

For three years the expenditures of the government have decreased under the influence of an effort to economize. This year presents an apparent exception. The estimate by the secretary of the treasury of the ordinary receipts, exclusive of postal revenues, for the year ending June 30, 1914, indicates that they will amount to \$170,000,000. The sum of the estimates of the expenditures for that same year, exclusive of Panama canal disbursements and postal disbursements payable from postal revenues is \$172,000,000, indicating a deficit of \$2,000,000. For the year ending June 30, 1913, similarly estimated receipts were \$167,000,000, while the total corresponding estimate of expenditures for that year, submitted through the secretary of the treasury to congress, amounted to \$165,000,000. This shows an increase of \$2,000,000 in the estimates for 1914 over the total estimates of 1913. This is due to an increase of \$25,000,000 in the estimate for rivers and harbors for the next year and projects and surveys authorized by congress; to an increase under the new pension bill of \$33,000,000; and to an increase in the estimates for expenses of the navy department of \$14,000,000. The estimate for the navy department for the year 1913 included two battleships. Congress made provision for only one battleship, and therefore the navy department has deemed it expedient and proper to make an estimate which includes the first year's expenditure for three battleships. In addition to the amount required for work on the uncompleted ships now under construction. In addition to the natural increase in the expenditures for the uncompleted ships, and the additional battleship estimate for the other increases are due to the pay required for 4,000 or more additional enlisted men in the navy, and to this must be added the additional cost of construction imposed by the change in the eight-hour law which makes it applicable to ships built in private shipyards.

With the exceptions of these three items, the estimates show a reduction this year below the total estimates for 1913 of more than \$5,000,000.

The estimates for Panama canal construction for 1914 are \$17,000,000 less than for 1913.

The president then explained at some length the plan of the monetary reserve association recommended by the monetary commission and urged congress to approve the plan impartially from all standpoints and then to adopt some plan which will secure the benefits desired.

Army Reorganization.

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To the task of meeting these patent defects, the war department has been addressing itself during the past year. A comprehensive plan of reorganization was prepared by the war college division of the general staff. This plan was thoroughly discussed last summer at a series of open conferences held by the secretary of war and attended by representatives from all branches of the army and from the various departments of the government.

The National Guard.

Under existing law the national guard constitutes, after the regular army, the first line of national defense. Its organization, discipline, training, and equipment, under recent legislation, have been assimilated as far as possible to those of the regular army, and its practical efficiency, under the effect of this training, has very greatly increased. Our citizen soldiers under present conditions have reached a stage of development beyond which they cannot reasonably be asked to go without further direct assistance in the form of pay from the federal government, and to become an efficient national reserve of citizen soldiers. They are the only force of trained men, other than the regular army, upon which we can rely. The so-called military pay bill in the form agreed on between the authorities of the war department and the representatives of the national guard, in my opinion adequately meets these conditions and offers a proper return for the pay which it is proposed to give to the national guard. I believe that its enactment into law would be a very long step toward providing this nation with a first line of citizen soldiers, upon which its main reliance must depend in case of any national emergency. Plans for the organization of the national guard into tactical divisions, on the same basis as adopted for the regular army, are being formulated by the war college division of the general staff.

Porto Rico.

Mr. Taft says, continues to show notable progress and he urges the senate to pass the bill granting the Porto Ricans American citizenship.

Philippines.

A bill is pending in congress, continuing the measures which reorganizes the carefully worked out scheme of government under which the Philippine Islands are now governed and which proposes to render them virtually autonomous at once and absolutely independent in eight years. Such a provision can only be founded on the assumption that we have no direct charge of their trust to the Philippine people and our responsibility for them to the world, and that they are now prepared for self-government as well as national sovereignty. A thorough unbiased knowledge of the facts clearly shows that these assumptions are absolutely without justification. As to this, I believe that there is no substantial difference of opinion among any of those who have had the responsibility of facing Philippine problems in the administration of the islands. I believe that no one to whom the future of this people is a responsible concern can countenance a policy fraught with the direct consequences to those on whose behalf it is ostensibly urged.

In the Philippine Islands we have embarked upon an experiment unprecedented in dealing with dependent peoples. We are developing these conditions exclusively for their own welfare. We found an archipelago containing 24 tribes and races, speaking a great variety of languages, and with a population over 50 per cent. of which could neither read nor write. Through the unifying forces of a common political development, and of gradual participation in local self-government we are endeavoring to evolve a homogeneous people fit to determine, when the time arrives, their own destiny. We are seeking to arouse a national spirit, and not, as under the older colonial theory, to suppress such a spirit. The character of the work we have been doing is keenly recognized in the orient, and our success thus far followed with not a little joy by those who, initiating the same policy, find themselves hampered by conditions grown up in earlier days and under different theories of administration. But our work is far from done. Our duty to the Philippines is far from discharged. Over half a million Filipino students are now in the Philippine schools helping to mold the men of the future into a homogeneous people, but there still remain more than a million Filipino children of school age yet to be reached. The need from American control and the integration of a common education and a common language will cease and the educational system now well started will slip back into inefficiency and disorder.

An enormous increase in the commercial development of the islands has been made since they were virtually granted full independence three years ago, with every prospect of increasing development and diversified industries. Freed from American control such development is bound to decline. Every observer speaks of the great progress in public works for the benefit of the Philippines, of harbor improvements, of road and railway building, and of irrigation and public buildings, and better means of communication. But the large parts of the islands are still unopened, still even the unexplored roads and railways are needed in many parts, irrigation systems are still to be installed and wells to be driven. Whole villages and towns are still without means of communication other than the almost impossible roads and trails. Even the great progress in sanitation, which has successfully suppressed the bubonic plague, and Asiatic cholera, has found the cause of a cure for beriberi, has segregated the lepers, has helped to make Manila the most healthful city in the Orient, and to free life throughout the whole archipelago from its former dread diseases, is nevertheless incomplete in many essentials of permanence in sanitary policy. Even more remains to be accomplished. If freed from American control sanitary progress is bound to be arrested and all that has been achieved likely to be lost.

In the task we have undertaken is higher than that assumed by other nations its accomplishment must demand even more patience. We must not forget that we

found the Filipino wholly untrained in government. Up to our advent all other experience sought to repress rather than encourage political power. It takes long time and much experience to ingrain political habits of steadiness and efficiency. Popular self-government ultimately must rest upon a reasonably developed public opinion. No such foundations for self-government, let alone independence, are now present in the Philippine Islands. Disregarding even their racial heterogeneity and the lack of ability to think as a nation, it is sufficient to point out that under liberal franchise privileges only about 3 per cent. of the Philippine vote and only 5 per cent. of the people are said to be registered. To confer independence upon the Philippines now is, therefore, to subject the great mass of their people to the dominance of an oligarchical and, probably, exploiting minority. Such a course will be as cruel to those people as it would be unwise to us.

Our true course is to pursue steadily and courageously the path we have thus far followed; to guide the Philippines into self-sustaining pursuits; to continue the cultivation of sound political habits through education and political practice; to encourage the diversification of industries; and to realize the advantages of their industrial development by conservatively approved co-operative methods, at once checking the dangers of concentration of wealth and building up a sturdy, independent citizenship.

Regulation of Water Power.

There are pending before congress a large number of bills proposing to grant franchises of erecting dams for the purpose of creating water power in our navigable rivers. The tendency of these bills has brought out an important defect in the existing general dam law. That defect does not, in my opinion, grant sufficient power to the federal government in dealing with the construction of such dams to exact protective conditions in the interest of navigation. It does not permit the federal government, as a condition of its permit, to require that a part of the value thus created shall be applied to the further general improvement and protection of the stream. I believe this to be one of the most important matters of internal improvement now confronting the government. Most of the navigable rivers of this country are comparatively long and shallow. In order that they may be made fully usable for navigation there has come into vogue a method of improvement known as canalization of the slack-water method, which consists in building a series of dams and locks, each of which will create a long pool of deep navigable water. At each of these dams there is usually created a long pool of deep navigable water. At each of these dams there is usually created a long pool of deep navigable water. At each of these dams there is usually created a long pool of deep navigable water.

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Both Alike.

A dentist who wishes to change his business ought to be a good real estate agent.

Why not?

"Because he has had experience in making money out of achers."

Two of 'Em.

"Yes, I was a great player in my day," said Jones. "Made a goal from the kickoff. Can any of you beat that?"

"I've done the same, you bloomin' liar!" replied Brown.—Judge.

Its Claw.

"Unhorsing a rival in the old days of chivalry was very much like a modern holiday in a busy life."

"How so?"

"It was taking a knight off."

seniors or cargo. \$120 per net vessel ton each 100 cubic feet of actual capacity.

2. On vessels in ballast without passengers or cargo, 10 per cent less than the rate of tolls for vessels with passengers or cargo.

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Panama Canal Treaty.

The proclamation which I have issued in respect to the Panama Canal tolls is passed by the congress August 24, 1912. We have been advised that the British government has prepared a protest against the act and its enforcement in so far as it relates from the payment of tolls to British ships engaged in the American—British trade on the ground that it violates British rights under the Hay-Pauncefote treaty concerning the Panama Canal. When this protest is presented, it will be promptly considered, and an effort will be made to reach a satisfactory adjustment of the differences there may be between the two governments.

Workmen's Compensation Act.

The promulgation of an efficient workmen's compensation act adapted to the particular conditions of the zone, is awaited with adequate appropriation by congress for the payment of claims arising therefrom. I urge that speedy provision be made for the same by the congress for the best interest of the zone, and for the humane, social, and industrial theories.

Promotion for Col. Goethals.

As the completion of the canal grows nearer, and as the wonderful executive work of Col. Goethals becomes more conspicuous in the eyes of the country and of the world, it seems to me wise and proper to make provision by law for such reward to him as may be commensurate with the service that he has rendered to his country. I suggest that this reward be in the form of an appointment of Col. Goethals as a major general in the army of the United States, and that the law authorizing such appointment be accompanied with a provision permitting his designation as chief of engineers upon the completion of the present incumbent of that duty.

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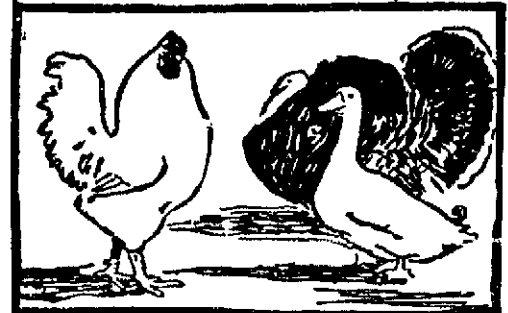
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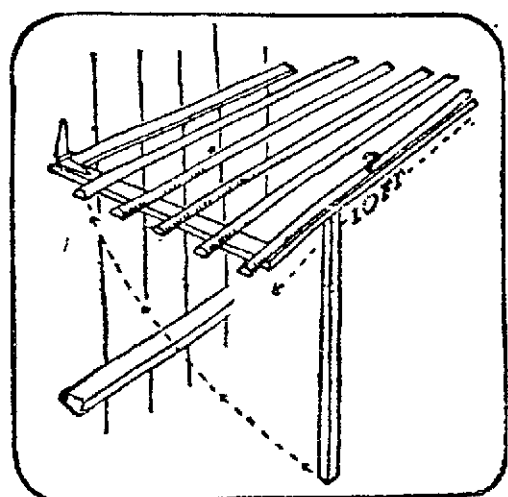
POULTRY



HINGED SYSTEM OF PERCHES

Attractive to Practical Man Whose Quarters Are Limited—Folds Up Against Side of House.

In cases where quarters are somewhat limited and houses necessarily correspondingly small, or where the saving of time and labor is a consideration, the hinged perch shown in the accompanying illustration possesses an attraction to the practical man. As will be seen, it is so constructed that



Hinged Perches.

it can be folded back against the side of the house out of the way during the daytime, thus facilitating the cleaning of the interior and for spraying to destroy insect life. Its construction is simple and fully explained in the drawing.

MILK FOR PRODUCING EGGS

Experiments Conducted at West Virginia Station Show Skimmilk of Excellent Value.

Two tests are reported from the West Virginia station of the value of skimmilk compared with water for wetting a feed mash. In the first test, which covered 122 days, 22 hens fed skimmilk laid 1,244 eggs, as compared with 996 eggs laid by the 22 hens fed mash wet with water.

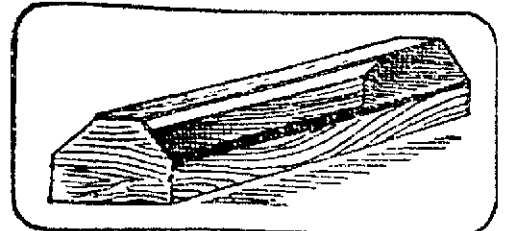
In the first period of the second test 60 hens fed the skimmilk ration laid 862 eggs in 37 days, as compared with 632 eggs laid by a similar lot fed no skimmilk. In the second period, which covered 56 days, the rations were reversed. The chickens fed skimmilk laid 1,220 eggs, as compared with 978 in the case of the lot fed no skimmilk. In every case the pens contained one cock to ten hens. In both experiments more eggs were produced when skimmilk was substituted for water for moistening the mash.

Under the conditions prevailing in these experiments, and with eggs selling for 20 or 25 cents per dozen, the skimmilk used for moistening the mash had a feeding value of from 1 1/2 to 2 cents per quart. In these trials 802 quarts of skimmilk were fed, resulting in an increase in the egg production of 702 eggs, or almost an extra egg for each quart used.

TROUGH FOR CHICKEN FEED

Portable Device Keeps Half-Grown Birds Out of Food and Allows Little Ones to Eat.

To keep half-grown chickens out of their feed and make it available to the smaller ones of the flock a handy portable trough may be made as shown in the illustration, says the Iowa Homestead. It is seven inches



Portable Trough.

wide and the slat across the top by which it may be carried is three inches wide, and about three inches higher than the edge of the trough. It would overbalance any chicken trying to stand in the feed.

Handling a Goose.

In handling a goose, it should always be taken by the neck, and when lifted from the ground the body should be turned with the back toward the person handling it. In that position it cannot strike, and will remain quiet. Partly support the body by seizing the first joint of the wing with one hand. If the goose is held facing one it will strike hard blows with its wings or scratch with its feet.

Overcrowding Injurious.

Overcrowding causes fowls to sweat at night, and this soon rots the feathers at the root. This is one reason why so many fowls shed feathers outside of the regular moulting season.

Pea Meal as Feed.

Pea meal is not quite so good a feeding stuff as the average gluten feed. It contains about 1 per cent. less protein, 3 per cent. less fat and nearly three times as much fiber.

PROPER CARE FOR GUINEAS

In Winter Birds Must Have Shelter and Food Same as Other Poultry—Great Danger From Rains.

(By A. J. LEGG.)

The young guinea is about as tender a bird as we ever undertook to care for. They are of a wild nature and if one is lost from the hen in the grass it is almost useless to look for it.

The best plan is to let the hen cluck it back to her flock. We usually keep the young guineas shut up for a few days after they are hatched and feed them some bread crumbs, coarse corn meal and occasionally a hard-boiled egg.

They are given water and also sweet milk to drink. After they leave the hen's call, if the days are warm and sunshiny, they are given fine roughage. They gather bugs and worms so they need but little feeding.

The great danger is from the hard rains. If the hen does not seek shelter, the young guineas are very likely to get drowned.

I have seen young guineas so nearly drowned in a hard rain that it looked useless to bother with them, but after they were warmed up and dried they did not show any bad effects from their drenching.

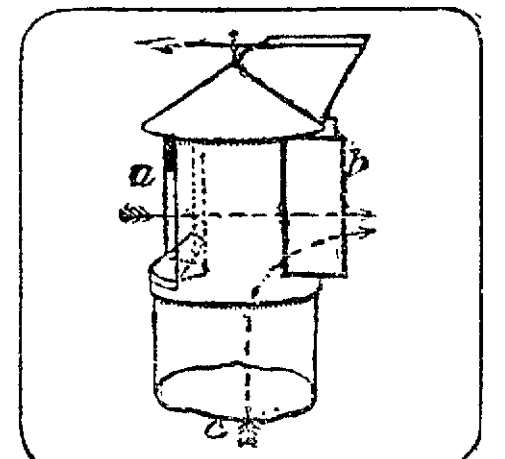
After the guineas are feathered out they need but little care as they are fully able to shift for themselves, until the winter cuts off their supply of food.

In winter they must have a shelter and food the same as other poultry, but should not be let out when there is snow on the ground else they will fly into the tops of trees or alight on the tops of buildings and refuse to come down.

VENTILATION FOR HEN HOUSE

Force Draft Ventilator Built Like Revolving Stove Pipe Chimney Top Is Illustrated.

Poultry houses are often unsatisfactory solely because they are badly ventilated. Of course, it is out of the question always to tear them down and build anew or to install the King system of ventilation, so some form of ventilation may be the best device to adopt. In the illustration is shown a force draft ventilator built like a revolving stove pipe chimney top. The wing with the arrow on top



Force Draft Ventilator.

turns the top so the opening, a, always faces the wind. Some of the wind passes through this opening and out of the top at b. It thus creates a draft up the flue, c, and thus ventilates the poultry house below. The principle is the same as that used in the atomizer.

POULTRY NOTES

A neglected cold may turn into roup.

The comb is the chicken's health indicator. Good development before beginning to lay, is best for the pullet.

For fattening a wet mash is good, but at other times let the mash be dry.

The old hens, especially those older than two years, should be fattened and sold.

The nearer square you build a poultry house, the less the cost of construction.

Begin right for the winter season by keeping nothing but healthy laying hens.

The chick that has been stunted will never make a show bird and seldom develop into a profitable fowl.

Well managed poultry is preferable to farm crops in that poultry will produce an income at all times of the year.

Capons are quiet, grow more per pound of feed than cockerels, grow longer and bring a better price per pound.

Once a day is sufficient for chickens to be fed a mash. The remainder of the day dry grain is considered better.

The best way of disposing of surplus late hatched cockerels (too late to be sold for broilers) is as capons.

In every variety of farming, planning ahead of time is necessary, and perhaps most so in poultry husbandry.

For the geese a low shed open to the south is about all that is needed, as geese seem impervious to cold weather.

No hen is going to lay winter eggs if her system is run down, her molt not over, and she is made to scratch her own living.

Get rid of some of the roosters that are worrying the hens to no good purpose. They are deadlocks and eat up the profits of the flock.

The pullets which are undersized have standard disqualification, or a weak constitution should be fattened and go to market with the cockerels.

FOUR KINDS OF BREAD

SOME VARIATIONS OF WELL-CALLED "STAFF OF LIFE."

Directions for Making Ordinary Table Necessity—Concocted From Sour Milk or Oatmeal—Walnut Brown Bread Is Recommended.

Raised Bread.—Two cakes of compressed yeast, one tablespoon salt, one pint sweet milk, a piece of lard size of an egg, quart of warm water, two tablespoons sugar. Put the yeast in one pint of warm water early in the morning, let it stand a half hour in a warm place; stir into this mixture one and a half pints of flour; let stand about three-quarters of an hour or until full of bubbles. Add to the above one pint of warm water, one pint of scalded milk, sugar and salt; beat together; stir in all the "raise bread flour" it will take; turn out on the bread board and cut and knead, working in the lard until smooth. Let rise until light, or about six hours, molding in loaves with the hands, not kneading on the board. Set to rise. When the tin is two-thirds full, brush over with melted lard; set in a hot oven, with the door open, for ten minutes; close the door and bake for three-quarters of an hour; take out and brush over with melted butter, break apart and cool.

Sour Milk Bread.—One cup of cornmeal, one teaspoon salt, one cup rye flour, one teaspoon soda, one cup graham flour, one-half cup molasses, one cup raisins, one pint sour milk. Mix the ingredients. Steam for three hours, then remove the cover from the mold and put in the oven to form the crust.

Oatmeal Bread.—One quart of boiling water turned on one pint of rolled oats. Let stand until cool. Then add one-half of a yeast cake dissolved in a little water, one-half cup of molasses, one quart of entire wheat flour, one quart of sifted flour and salt to taste. Raise over night, stir down, raise again, stir down, drop in bread tins, raise again and bake for about 40 minutes.

Walnut Brown Bread.—Two cups of graham flour, one and a half cups of white flour, two cups of sweet milk, one-half cup of brown sugar, one-half cup of molasses, one cup of walnuts chopped fine, one teaspoon of salt, one large teaspoon of soda. Beat light. Bake in one loaf for one hour.

Helpful Hints.

Beetles can be exterminated from any room if the place they infest is sprinkled with ground borax mixed with common brown sugar.

When the flesh is bruised it should be bathed freely and at once with very hot water. This will prevent congestion and the ugly discoloration.

To sweeten rancid butter, melt the butter, skim it, then place a piece of light brown toast in it, and in a few minutes the toast will have absorbed the unpleasant taste and smell.

To prevent frying fish from becoming greasy and sodden, have the fat in which it is to be fried almost boiling hot before putting the fish in the pan. A blue smoke will be rising from the fat when it is in the proper condition.

Alum water is good to use for rinsing curtains and muslin hangings, children's dresses and pinafores, in order to render them non-inflammable. Two ounces of alum should be dissolved in one gallon of water and be used in the rinsing process.

Nut Loaf or Vegetable Turkey.

Mix together three cups chopped nuts, three cups dry breadcrumbs, three cups of milk, one tablespoon of butter dissolved in some of the milk, one and one-half teaspoons of finely-powdered sage or poultry seasoning, two teaspoons of salt. Lastly, stir in six well-beaten eggs. Bake twenty minutes in a brisk oven and serve hot with brown gravy and cranberry jelly. Half of this recipe makes a large quantity. I bake mine in a loaf pan.

Brown Gravy.—To each cup of water take three tablespoonfuls of peanut meal, add when boiling. Thicken with browned flour and season to taste.

Hamburg Eggs.

Cream two tablespoonfuls of butter, four tablespoonfuls of soft bread crumbs and a teaspoonful of minced parsley, seasoning to taste with salt, paprika and celery salt. Work all to a smooth paste and with it line small individual patty pans that have been brushed with melted butter; break an egg carefully into each, and after dusting lightly with salt, cover with a mixture of melted butter and browned bread crumbs, cooking for six minutes in a hot oven. Serve in the pans garnished with parsley.

Cheese Straws.

Use two ounces of butter, two ounces of grated cheese. Use the American cheese, four ounces of flour, one egg, salt and white pepper to taste and a dash of cayenne. Work the ingredients with your hand. They become a smooth dough. Roll the dough out thin, cut in straws four inches long and bake on tin sheets in a quick oven.

Delicious Luncheon Dish.

Beat two eggs and add to them a pint of hot milk. Put in the bottom of a pudding dish four slices of stale bread two inches square. Grate over them one-fourth pound of cheese and over the whole pour the hot milk and eggs. Bake 20 minutes and serve hot.

When You Are Ironing.

When ironing stand on a soft thick rug; your feet will not get so tired.

TO TUNNEL UNDER CHANNEL

Long-Delayed France-English Project Is Once More Being Put Forward.

A tunnel between England and France beneath the English channel was first proposed at the beginning of the nineteenth century by Mathieu, a French mining engineer, says the Argonaut. Fifty years later the scheme was financed, but it was not until 1867 that it seemed that the project would be actually attempted. At that time there were a dozen or more plans for rail communication between the two countries. The accepted scheme was that of a tunnel bored beneath the bed of the channel. The estimated cost of the undertaking was about \$50,000,000. Preliminary boring had been made, when the work was interrupted by the Franco-Prussian war. In 1874 the French and English governments resumed negotiations concerning the tunnel, leaving the matter in the hands of a joint commission. Failure on the part of the English company holding the contract for the work to receive sufficient funds resulted in the failure of the enterprise in 1880. Now the project is receiving some attention a better feeling having been established between the people of the two countries.

HAIR CAME OUT IN BUNCHES

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Old Landmark Gone.

The Blaine schoolhouse in Mars Hill up on the hill, the one James G. Blaine honored years ago by giving a bell, which still hangs in the heltry, is no more. It has been converted into a storeroom and moved to another site. A good many bright boys and girls, now old men and women, graduated from this historical building, and no doubt there is a feeling of sorrow as the old schoolhouse leaves the foundation it was built upon years and years ago.—Kennebec (Me.) Journal.

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PROTECTING THE TRUSTS

Our Washing on Correspondent Pays His Respects to the Present United States Attorney General.

[Special of the Gazette] Washington, Dec. 27.—The United States Attorney General, Mr. Clegg, has been visited by a delegation of the Standard Oil Company, in the case in which the Magnolia Oil Co. of Texas was indicted by a federal grand jury in Texas for criminal violation of the Sherman law.

Once again Mr. Wickersham is using the machinery of the great office of the Department of Justice to protect, instead of prosecute, the millionaire heads of illegal trusts.

A hundred instances could be cited where Wickersham has, by means of especially prepared opinions, orders and rules, given comfort to the great industrial trusts, private monopolies and special privilege. It was Wickersham, the attorney general, who stopped important suits against the steel trust immediately upon taking office. It was Wickersham, the attorney general, who rendered an opinion upholding the balance and viciously attacking Louis R. Glavis, who said it was legal for sugar trust interests to acquire by the exploitation process 75,000 acres of rich sugar lands of the Philippines when the organic law of the islands expressly declares that no corporation shall be allowed to acquire more than 2,500 acres. It was Wickersham, the attorney general, who sanctioned the Tatt administration railroad regulation bill, later exposed and altered, containing a joker legalizing the Southern Pacific-Union Pacific merger, recently held unlawful by the Supreme Court. It was Wickersham, the attorney general, whose suit against the steel trust is one in equity instead of a criminal prosecution.

At the time of the appointment of Wickersham, it was said his selection by Mr. Taft was in recognition of the desires of the great industrial trusts of the country, who had contributed large sums to Mr. Taft's campaign fund, and who as a return favor desired that a "safe" man be placed in charge of the government prosecuting machinery.

Before his appointment as attorney general, Mr. Wickersham was a trust lawyer. For years and years he had been receiving huge fees from corporations for interpreting the laws, not from the viewpoint of the welfare of the people, but from the viewpoint of the welfare of the trusts. Mr. Wickersham was a member of the law firm of Strong & Cadwalader. Congressman Henry T. Rainey described this firm on the floor of the House of Representatives as follows:

"The firm of Strong & Cadwalader is one of these important New York legal firms to which great corporations appeal for aid when they propose to violate the laws of the land or when they have violated the laws of the land."

The firm of Strong & Cadwalader, at the time of Mr. Wickersham's appointment as attorney general, represented, among other great corporations, the sugar trust, and one of the last things Mr. Wickersham did as a member of the firm of Strong & Cadwalader, was to draw down his portion of a sugar trust fee of something like \$25,000. And one of the first things Mr. Wickersham did as Attorney General, was to write, on June 27, 1909, to John S. Wise, U. S. District Attorney for the Southern District of New York, a letter revealing his strong interest in three sugar trust officials then in danger of the penitentiary. This remarkable letter, the authenticity of which has never been denied by the Attorney General, leads in part as follows:

"My dear Wise: Senator Koot has sent me the proof of a petition signed by Bowers, Milburn and Guthrie, in support of their contention that the statute of limitations has run in favor of Messrs. Parsons, Kissel and Harned. If the only overt acts done to carry out the objects of the unlawful conspiracy were those referred to in the brief, I should think they were insufficient to save the bar of the statute. A strong effort will be made tomorrow to persuade the President to interfere in some way to prevent the indictments. Faithfully yours, Geo. W. Wickersham."

And now Mr. Wickersham is using his office as Attorney General to save from arrest John D. Archbold, H. C. Folgar, Jr., and W. C. Teagle, officers of the Standard Oil Company.

Under the Taft administration it has been impossible for the government to control the trusts, because the trusts controlled the government.

At last it has been possible to elect a President without the financial support of the heads of illegal tariff trusts, and it is hoped President Wilson will be able to find a man for attorney general who will be so constructed temperamentally as to feel that millionaire sugar trust barons who rob the government and violate the law ought to be sent to the penitentiary just like a poor man is sent to the penitentiary when he violates the law.

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More Locals

Miss Katharine Rood visited at Grand Rapids Thursday and Friday and will be a guest of Mrs. P. P. Witter.

Miss I. I. McGlavin returned on Friday last from a visit of several weeks with relatives in Plattville and Chicago.

Earl Hill has returned from Chicago, where he has been for some time, to remain at home until after the holidays.

Frank Bissing of Appleton is assisting at the Wells-Largo Express Co. on their trip during the holiday rush arriving last Thursday.

Our guests have just arrived and we want you to see them. Buy a while the assortment is complete. We have the best. E. A. Arenberg.

Alex De Somers, representing a Milwaukee manufacturing house of long picture films, was a visitor to the city and a guest of N. B. Hackett on Friday last.

Eight of Pagel Milling Co. coupons and 25¢ gives you a forty two piece china dinner set worth \$5. Look for the coupons in Pagel's Best Fancy Patent flour.

One of those coffee percolators or chafing dishes at Arenberg's would make an elegant present for your wife, daughter or sweetheart. Call and look them over and judge for yourself.

When you read this issue of The Gazette, look over each and every page, as all will be found interesting from a news standpoint, as well as for the general information to holiday buyers.

Beware of imitators. If you want to order wood or coal, ring up telephone 54, when ordering wood or coal from a teamster on the street be sure that Olsen's name is on the wagon box.

Mrs. Mat Dreyfka or the town of Lanark visited with relatives on the North Side for a couple of days last week, leaving Friday morning for Kansas City to visit her sister, Mrs. A. Miller.

Mrs. H. Kuepfer, little daughter and sister, Miss Bessie Pacourek, returned from Milladore on Thursday, where they attended the funeral of their grandmother, which took place the day before.

Andrew P. Een of Amherst was a Wausau visitor the last of the week, going there to act as a member of a committee of three in equalizing the re-assessment recently made in a neighboring town.

We have just received one of the best assortments of Christmas candies, nuts, candies, etc., etc., that one could wish to purchase from The goods and prices will fit any pocketbook. Let us have your orders for school or Sunday school supplies. H. D. McCulloch Co.

Miss Emma Rowe, who had been a cripple for many years, getting about with the aid of crutches, and recently underwent an operation in Milwaukee, returned to her home on the West Side last week, and is now able to get about without crutch or cane. Miss Rowe is the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robt. R. Rowe.

Theodore Decosse, a farmer at Somerset, eight miles west of New Richmond, was struck by the west-bound Soo line passenger train No. 1, Conductor McKie in charge, on Wednesday and instantly killed. The accident occurred on a highway crossing within a half mile of Decosse's home. He was 55 years old and leaves a wife and two children.

Friends in Childhood.

Relative to the marriage of Wm. M. Creasey of this city and Mrs. Emma Vezey of Appleton, which took place on Tuesday of last week, the Appleton Crescent contained the following:

Mrs. Emma Vezey of this city and William M. Creasey of Stevens Point were united in marriage at the home of Walter Vezey, 968 Superior street, by Rev. M. W. D. Marsh. The bride has reached three score years and Mr. Creasey has seen seventy summers.

The romance which culminated in a wedding here today began when both were neighbors near Stevens Point. They have known each other since childhood.

Mr. Creasey is a Grand Army man. He was at one time a prosperous farmer near Stevens Point and not long ago removed to that city. A short time ago he heard of his former childhood friend in this city and decided to come here and wed her.

They will make their home on the corner of Drew and Pacific streets.

A new order has been added to the list of fraternities in Milwaukee and will bear the unique title, "The Order of the Double Cross." At the head will be Judge John C. Karel. Ordinarily the administration of the double cross is not a matter of which one is proud, but in this instance the double cross is to be administered to the great white plague. The motto of the new society will be, "Give the double cross, the red double cross to tuberculosis." The insignia will be a tiny badge containing a red cross with two crossbars. The basis of membership will be the purchase of \$1 worth of Christmas seals.

Bids Wanted.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, city clerk of the city of Stevens Point, Wisconsin, will receive at his office in the city hall, up to 4 o'clock p. m., December 21, 1912, sealed bids for furnishing the various articles of equipment, complying with the state specifications, for the city sealer of weights and measures a list of which is on file in the city clerk's office. The right to reject any or all bids is reserved. Guy W. Rogers, City Clerk.

ARRANGED FINE PROGRAM

School Board Officers From Town and Village Districts Will Meet in This City Next Saturday.

The annual School Board convention of Portage county will be held at the Normal school assembly room in this city next Saturday, Dec. 21st. The law provides that "Each district clerk shall and the director and treasurer may attend such convention. Each district clerk shall be allowed to receive three cents a mile each way going and returning to and from said meeting, said sum to be paid from any moneys in the school treasury not otherwise appropriated."

Since this law went into effect these conventions have been well attended, all or nearly all of the school districts in the county being represented by one or more of its officers, and with favorable weather next Saturday, this year will be no exception. The following excellent program has been arranged by the county superintendent, Miss Frances C. Bannach.

Music. Normal School Students. Directed by Miss Parkhurst. Address of greeting.

Address. The Relation of the School and Home. W. L. Larson, State Inspector of Rural Schools. Address—The Training of the Rural School Teacher. Prof. John Phelan.

IN THE MISSION. Address—A Survey of the School Situation. Inspector W. E. Larson. Question Box and General Discussion. Conducted by Inspector W. E. Larson. Address—County School Affairs.

Address. Report of the Board of Public Affairs. Prof. F. S. Hyer.

Married in South Dakota.

Warren W. Pipe, son of Mrs. Ida M. Pipe of this city, and Miss Marie Harding of Sioux Falls, S. D., were married at the home of the bride on Wednesday evening last, Dec. 11th, and after a few days' wedding trip to other points will be at home at 515 W. Twelfth street, Sioux Falls, but expect later to move to Fargo, N. D. "Remmie," by which name the groom is known to all friends "back east," is district manager for the Northwestern Telephone Exchange Co. in the South Dakota city, and will take the same position in the North Dakota metropolis, having been connected with the company for over two years and his promotion from a minor position was won by ability, integrity and general worth. The bride is a daughter of prominent people in her home city, her father being a manufacturer. Congratulations and well wishes are extended.

Cutters and Sleighs.

I wish to announce that I am now receiving my line of cutters and sleighs. They are all of the best make and I am selling them at rock bottom prices. Call and look the line over. Peter Frierweiler, 308-310 Clark street.

Our Ex-Presidents.

Who would not like to be an ex-president at the present time to be able to enjoy the \$25,000 that Carnegie has given them, and the beautiful way he gives it, without the ask. It might embarrass them to ask. How nicely he overcomes that part. Of themselves they could not acquire that amount of gold annually. The people of their country and the majority of the people placed them in a position to get it when they elected them president. Should they appreciate this annual gift they should also appreciate the kindness of the people. Should they not give the people a part of their time in the way of good suggestions in a way of legislation? Would that not be more acceptable than to start out a third party and cause so much trouble and agitation, seemingly unnecessary and uncalled for? Are not two parties enough, one to keep down the overbearing or misgivings of the other? Seemingly it is necessary to have two parties and two parties are enough. That gives everyone a choice to take either one side or the other, as those two parties will have all the legislating power. What do you mean by starting a third party and calling it the Progressive party? You are still here on the same people. You don't mean by the people were not progressive a few months ago? You don't mean to say that it is not the very instinct of the heart and soul to be progressive? I sometimes think it is large that men start out with new parties and give the party such beautiful names, such as Progressive, Socialistic, Prohibition, etc., and still be with the same people. Men's views would just as well be made known in either one of the first parties.

Three men start out on a race. On their way back they face 5,000 men, 2,437 greet one man, 2,395 another, and 18 the third. Two of those are associates of the same party. Well, what of it? O, nothing! One of the associates is 42 men short of a choice, that's all, and 2,395 men lose their choice. O, well, we men did something, saw to it that the women didn't get the use of the ballot. Should the women have the use of the ballot they might do something terrible. Still they have the benefit of the doubt. That's more than we men have.

The Colonel says "take small contributions as well as large ones." That seems O. K., as it takes a couple of million or more, if you have it, to run a campaign. He says Divine rights of courts is as bad as the Divine right of kings. What does he mean by that? It seems necessary to place the right in some one. It might be easier for the people to remove a court than a king. He urges that people join the party because of the opportunity of service and sacrifice, and not to get returns. What does that mean? Don't wish for returns? Is this part of the Progressive platform?

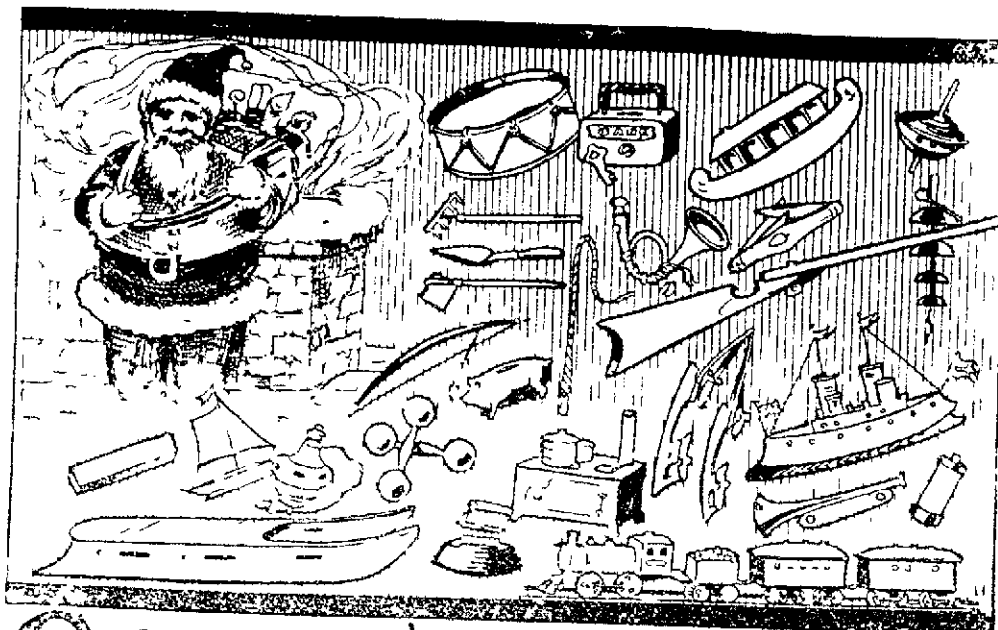
Martin Heffron

According to the full official returns of the late election, now complete, Wilson received 183,110 votes in Wisconsin, Taft 129,710, Roosevelt 9,958, Debs 32,730, Chas. E. Sells, and Reimer 1,060.

World's Greatest Creamery.

The greatest country creamery in the world is doubtless located at Barron in upper Wisconsin. This creamery was started in 1901 and in the first year or two did only a small business. At that time the farmers in that section were just awakening to the possibilities with which they were favored. Later two buildings were consecutively outgrown, and now the creamery is housed in one of the finest brick structures it is possible to build for the purpose. Its business has increased until now it is at the point of passing an annual business of \$200,000.

This is undoubtedly the largest strictly country creamery in the world, although there are some in Wisconsin that are crowding the \$200,000 mark. The butter and cheese industries are growing remarkably in all the upper counties of Wisconsin, and the day is near at hand when the southern counties will have to look to their laurels if they are to maintain their supremacy in the dairy field.



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The Whole Store is Alive With Christmas Suggestions

All the Christmas merchandise is displayed. Nearly every article in this store is appropriate for the approaching gift giving time.

Would it not be a good idea to Begin Christmas Shopping Now?

You can choose the gifts at your leisure, and will not be hurried. Now assortments are at their best and the individual preference of those to be remembered may be more thoughtfully considered. Selections for Christmas can be laid away and delivered when desired.

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Coal and Hardware Merchants

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Serious Kidney Disease Treated By an Old - Fashioned Doctor



S. B. HARTMAN, M. D.

In 1860 I was practicing medicine in Millersville, Pennsylvania, a thriving farming community. A prominent citizen of that locality called at my office one day in a very feeble condition. So much so he had to be assisted in alighting from his wagon. I found on questioning him that he had been afflicted for about two years. He had consulted various doctors, among them a specialist from Philadelphia. They pronounced his disease to be Bright's disease of the kidneys. He was gradually failing in strength, losing flesh rapidly, and altogether presented a very pitiable spectacle, the remnant of a once strong and happy man. I had been treating a neighbor of his successfully. This neighbor had highly recommended me and thus it was he had come to me. He told me that the doctors had practically given up his case as hopeless and he felt free to consult any other physician. I hesitated to take the case, as I felt sure I could not do anything more than the other physicians had done. I told him so, yet he insisted upon my prescribing. I was a graduate of the Jefferson Medical Col-

lege at Philadelphia, and as one of the consulting physicians had been a professor in that college it seemed to me quite unlikely that I would be able to do any more than had been done, but I prescribed what seemed to be the best thing under the circumstances. He went away and in a week he returned saying he was no better, that he was still losing ground. He judged that he had taken the same medicine before. No doubt he had. But he wished me to prescribe again. I did so. This went on for about two months, the patient falling all the time, and I was becoming thoroughly discouraged with the case. One day the patient said to me, "Doctor, why don't you give me the medicine you gave my neighbor? We all thought he would die, but your medicine cured him. This was why I came to you. Why not give me the same medicine you gave him?" "But," I said, "your neighbor did not have kidney disease. It was a bowel complaint that I prescribed for in his case. I remember I gave him the Neutralizing Mixture that I make a great deal of use of in bowel diseases." "Well, I want some of the same medicine you gave him. It worked wonders with him and I believe it will with me." "But," I said, "this is not a medicine for kidney disease." "Well, since you seem to be like the rest of the doctors, you cannot help me, why not try the medicine that helped my neighbor?" After some hesitation I concluded to give him a bottle of it. In ten days he returned. He at once began to berate me in no complimentary words, saying: "You knew very well this medicine would help me. You held it back merely to get more fees for treating me. From the first the medicine has helped me and I have made rapid improvement. If I could have had this medicine a year ago I should have been saved a great deal of expense and loss of time." I replied that I was glad the medicine had helped him. I was somewhat confused by his brusque manner and rough speech. I gave him another bottle of medicine. Did not see him again for about three weeks. Once more he

called at my office for another bottle of medicine, which was his last call. A month or so afterwards a neighbor of his called and got a bottle of the same medicine, saying that my patient was practically a well man, attending to his duties about his large farm. I had given him the Neutralizing Mixture which was a remedy that I had used before only for bowel diseases. The same remedy that has since been sold under the name of Peruna. I could not quite understand how it was that Peruna should operate so beneficially in such seemingly different diseases. I had not yet grasped the correct philosophy of disease. I did not then clearly comprehend that catarrh may affect the kidneys as well as the bowels. Nothing of that sort was taught in the books in those days. It took me years before I clearly comprehended that catarrh was a disease liable to attack any organ of the body. Catarrh is a disease of the mucous membranes. The mucous membranes line every organ, duct and cavity in the body. Thus it is catarrh may settle anywhere where there is a mucous membrane. Peruna is my remedy for all these cases. I insist upon it, however, that Peruna is not a cure-all. I use it for just one disease, catarrh. But as catarrh is liable to affect so many different places, disturb so many different functions, derange so many different organs, it does seem to many people as if I regarded Peruna as a cure-all. The above narrative is simply one of the many cases in my early practice that brought me to comprehend the wonderful efficacy of Peruna in such a variety of diseases. The kidneys may be affected by other diseases than catarrh, but the average case of kidney disease is catarrh of the kidneys. All cases of Bright's disease begin with catarrh of the kidneys. This being true, and it also being true that Peruna is a catarrh remedy, it follows that a great many cases of kidney disease would be benefited by Peruna. PERUNA SOLD BY ALL DRUGGISTS. SPECIAL NOTICE—Many persons are making inquiries for the old-time Peruna. To such would say, this formula is now put out under the name of KA-TAR-NO, manufactured by KA-TAR-NO Company, Columbus, Ohio. Write them and they will be pleased to send you a free booklet.

Cheap Lands and Crops.
Farm and Home of Springfield, Mass., one of the greatest and ablest of them all, and, moreover, one that cannot be led off by the claims of promoters, makes the following comment upon the results produced this year on the upper Wisconsin experiment stations:
The extension of the corn belt northward this year received an impetus in the record made at the Spooner, Wis., experiment station, which is in 46 de-

grees north latitude. The corn grown at that station was Wisconsin No. 8 yellow dent and yielded on the average of the field 73 bushels of shelled corn per acre. Supt. Delwiche, who is in charge of the upper Wisconsin stations at Spooner, Ashtabula, Superior, Ellis Junction and Marshfield, reports satisfactory yields at all points.
The corn yield was on sandy loam soil, and the wheat on red clay, of both of which there are considerable areas of unoccupied land in the upper Wisconsin counties. Supt. Delwiche

co-operates with many farmers throughout upper Wisconsin in growing and disseminating grain, best suited to that part of the state.
You will find a choice line of brass and copper jardiniere, fern dishes, smoking sets, candle sticks, tobacco jars, ash trays, etc., at E. A. Arenberg's.
Do it now. Have that sitting for your Xmas photos at Martin & Co.'s, 114 S. Third street. w2

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Our Query and Reply Department

What is the Signification of Phoenix?—A mythical bird, without a mate, supposed to have renewed itself every five hundred years by being consumed in a fire of spices, then rising from the ashes resumed its flight.

What is Billingsgate?—Billingsgate is a coarse language. The fish market of Billingsgate, London, was singularly noted because of the rough and disregarded tendency of the language used by its fish-mongers. Hence the application.

What is the Order of the Garter?—It is an English order of knighthood instituted by Edward III. on St. George's day, 1344, and is the highest order of the kind. It is related that the countess of Salisbury, in dancing with Edward III., happened to lose her garter, whereupon the king picked it up and tied it about his own leg; that this action might not be misinterpreted, he immediately restored the garter to the countess, exclaiming: "Shame to him who thinks evil." This exclamation remains the motto of the order and is seen in the royal arms.

What are the Number of Visible Stars?—The number of stars that can be seen by a person of average eyesight is estimated to be 7,000. The number visible through the telescope is estimated to be 100,000,000.

What is the Cause of Rust in Iron?—Oxygen entering into combination with the surface of the metal, the combination being promoted by moisture; rust is an ordinary term for the oxidizing of iron.

What are the Languages in which the Bible was originally written?—The old testament was written mainly in Hebrew, but partly also in Chaldee; the new testament was written in Greek.

Who Wrote "Hail Columbia"?—Judge Joseph Hopkins, during John Adams' administration. The music was arranged by Fayles, the leader of the orchestra of the only theater in the capital. It was first called "The President's March."

What is the first English Version of the whole Bible executed?—In 1535, by Miles Coverdale; but the New Testament and a part of the Old had been executed a few years previously by William Tyndale.

When was the New Year's Day changed from the 25th of March to the 1st of January?—This change was effected gradually. The 1st of January was adopted legally by France in 1563, by Scotland in 1600, and by England and Ireland at the change of the style 1752.

What are Civil Rights?—The right which every one has by nature to dispose of his own person to cultivate his mind, and to improve his condition by any honest line of industry that is suitable to his capacity,—the enjoyment of such rights being called freedom.

Is Trial by Jury of Ancient Origin?—Yes; it is an Anglo-Saxon institution, and forms an important safeguard against arbitrary authority.

What is Weight?—Weight is only the result of attraction. An article weighing 1,000 pounds at sea level, will, at the height of four miles, weigh two pounds less.

Whence do Icebergs come?—From the polar region, where they break off from the ends of glaciers that protrude into the ocean, and float about until they are gradually melted.

Discuss Community Problem.
At St. Louis, Mo., November 19, 20 and 21, was held the first annual meeting of the National Federation of Retail Merchants. The membership of this federation, as its name indicates, is made up of the smaller organizations of retailers in various branches of merchandising.
The organization of the federation itself is the result of a conviction among local retailers that unless something definite is done to reverse the current of immigration to the cities, the rural community as a place of residence and for the transaction of business is doomed. Addresses at this convention were made by prominent speakers from the ranks of many lines of industry, and while in a measure the addresses treated of problems that puzzle the retailer, yet the whole program was essentially a community program.
This meeting afforded the first opportunity that has been presented to the retailer for demonstrating the fact that, though he is a business man, he is before and above that a patriot who is sincerely interested in all that will promote the prosperity and general welfare of his community as a whole. At this meeting the retailers as a unit signified an earnest desire to discover to what extent they are at fault in failing to meet the outside competition of mail order houses for local patronage. All of them realized and many of them admitted that the retailer's claim for a place in the scheme of distribution must be based upon service. They held, therefore, that to the extent that the local retailer gives as good or better service than the catalog house, he is entitled to the patronage of the residents of his community. In order that everybody in the community shall know the kind of service that the retailer is able to give, he must advertise that service, just the same as the catalog or mail-order house advertises the service which it offers. In fact, advertising was unanimously advocated by the convention as the most effective, if not the only effective means of retaining home trade.
Comparatively speaking, indoor baseball is a simple game. It should not be confounded with the celebrated "inside" baseball of which you have been reading.
Cost of Producing Potatoes.
John Hess of Rhineland, president of the Wisconsin Potato Growers' association, is an extensive grower of potatoes, having raised 150 acres last year. Mr. Hess states that with the use of machine planters, diggers and sprayers he can produce potatoes and put them on the cars at a cost of fifteen cents per bushel aside from the rent of the land. This is for a haul of not more than two miles.
Mr. Hess had charge of the clearing of 500 acres for the Stark Potato company this year and will clear 1,500 acres next year. The 500 acres cleared this year will be planted to potatoes next year.

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Christmas Mixed Candy per pound (our own make)	10c
Christmas Mixed Candy, very fine, (our own make) per pound	15c

Strictly fresh 1912 Nuts

We also have a very fine line of Box Goods filled with our strictly fresh, high grade chocolates. Every box guaranteed to please the palate.

We also have a large line of strictly fresh counter goods for the holiday trade.

Kindly call and look our line over.

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SOUTH SIDE AND RAILROAD

Personal and News Items of More or Less Importance to Readers of The Gazette.

Chas. Arance spent Tuesday at Bancroft on a business trip.

Leo Hart of Milwaukee was a guest at the home of his brother, J. J. Hart, last week while on his way to Minneapolis.

Mrs. P. Bowden and Miss Mary Turish went to Buena Vista Tuesday morning for a visit at the Geo. Turish home.

Mrs. E. H. Lampe of Milwaukee arrived in the city Tuesday to spend a few days at the home of her mother-in-law at the South Side.

Chris. Strache, a veteran resident of this city, living at 602 Wisconsin avenue, is now slowly recovering from a serious illness of several days.

H. L. Bannister returned Monday from a very enjoyable visit of several days with his parents and sister at Troy Center and with a brother in Milwaukee.

Mrs. John R. Means left on Tuesday morning's train for Chicago to visit a few days. She was joined at Burlington by her daughter, Miss Florence Means of Wausau.

Prof. A. B. Seefeldt, principal of the German Lutheran parochial school, will spend the Christmas vacation at his old home in Watertown, leaving for that city next Wednesday morning.

George Mueller, a representative of the Jung Shoe Co. of Sheboygan in portions of Minnesota and North Dakota, is spending the holidays with his wife at the E. Tack residence on Strong's avenue.

Mrs. Amelia Oxholm returned last night from a several weeks' visit with friends in Milwaukee and other points in the southern part of the state and in Illinois. She is a guest of her daughter, Mrs. F. M. Corcoran.

Geo. Gemberling is now employed as solicitor for the Time Insurance Co. of Milwaukee, having severed his connection with the Prudential. He has been at Milwaukee, Fond du Lac and other points for a few days.

While at work in the Joerns Bros. Table & Desk factory, last Thursday, James Tierney, son of Mr. and Mrs. Matt. Tierney, came into too close connection with a cutting machine and lost half of the thumb on his left hand.

Geo. L. Barrows, a veteran passenger conductor in the service of the Wisconsin Central and Soo companies, is again able to be about after a serious illness of several weeks, and is visiting his daughter, Mrs. Fred Pitsch, at Chippewa Falls.

Local officials of the Soo line have received instructions to distribute the monthly pay checks on and after next Monday, Dec. 23d. It was thought they could be given out the day before, which would have been a great convenience to many who are in town only on Sundays.

Mrs. Mary Scholl and daughter, Mrs. Claude M. Parker, left for Wausau last Saturday evening. The first named lady will visit there until after the holidays, while Mrs. Parker will go to housekeeping at 523 Grand avenue, her husband filling a responsible position with the Marathon paper mills at Rothschild. For the past several years she had been manager of the Racine underwear mills in this city, but because of her recent marriage she offered her resignation and it was accepted with much reluctance by the owners of the plant. Miss Edna Gee will be in charge until a new superintendent is secured.

YOUNG'S GROCERY

214 Strong's Ave.

O. A. Young has leased the south store in the McDonald new brick block, 214 Strong's avenue, and will open Thursday morning, Dec. 19th, with a full line of

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TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

Articles and Items of News that Appeared in the Columns of The Gazette, Quarter of a Century Ago Today.

The family of Chas. Laemmerick left for Waukesha last week to reside, Mr. Laemmerick having been there for some time, employed in the Central shops.

A heavy snow storm has been raging in this locality for the past 24 hours and promises to continue. Advice from the far west say that a severe blizzard raged throughout Dakota and part of Minnesota yesterday.

According to the will of the late Mrs. T. B. Scott of Merrill, she bequeathed the sum of \$5,000 to Wm. Roe and \$500 to Miss Mamie Roe of Dolan, D. T. The beneficiaries are the father and sister of W. A. Roe of this city.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Prentice, Mr. and Mrs. C. V. McMillan and children and Mrs. Chas. Conlisk will leave for the Pacific coast the first of next week and will stop at Los Angeles and San Francisco, Cal., and at Portland, Ore., expecting to remain in the west until the first of April.

Dr. F. A. Southwick of Buckston, Maine, spent a couple of days the latter part of the week visiting with his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Maxfield in this city. He is a robust young man who looks as though he had never been compelled to "take any of his own medicine."

Fred Playman met with a distressing accident while at work babbling blinds at the Stevens Point Manufacturing Co. plant last Wednesday, when his right hand was drawn into the knives of a machine and his thumb and little finger severed from the hand, and the remaining fingers were cut off between the first and second joints.

Miss Mattie Welch, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Adam Welch of Sharon, died at her home last Thursday morning, after an illness of a little over one week with inflammatory rheumatism, which affected her heart.

The young lady was nearly 18 years of age and had always resided in Sharon, with the exception of a few months spent in this city last spring, when she attended the High school. She is survived by her parents, two brothers and one sister. The funeral was held from St. Mary's church in Stockton, Saturday morning, and the pallbearers were Adam Eiden, Henry Schliesman, Peter Doyle, Ed. Comfort and Will and Parker Maine.

The Medical Men.

A half dozen members of the Portage County Medical Society, Drs. Rice, Southwick, Rogers, Lindores, Cowan and Alcorn, met last evening in annual meeting. Dr. O. T. Hougen of Grand Rapids, counselor of the 9th district, was also present, and an excellent paper on "Fallacies of Diseases of Children" was prepared and read by Dr. Lindores, after which the points brought out were thoroughly discussed. Officers for the coming year were chosen as follows:

President—Dr. A. E. MacMillan.
Vice Pres.—Dr. D. N. Alcorn.
Sec. Treas.—Dr. W. F. Cowan.
The latter will also serve as a delegate to the state convention to be held in Milwaukee next May.

YOUNG AND OLD CALLED

Miss Magdalena Peck, Aged 21, and Almond Maxfield, Aged 83, Answer Final Summons.

MAGDALENA PECK.

Miss Magdalena Peck, oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Peck, passed away at the home of her parents, 539 Normal avenue, at 2:30 o'clock this morning, death resulting from tuberculosis. Maggie, by which name she was known to friends and acquaintances, was taken ill with the grip last Christmas and had not enjoyed good health since that time, although she was confined to her bed for only six weeks before the final dissolution.

The deceased young lady was 21 years of age on the 19th of last October. She was born in the town of Hull, her parents moving to the city when she was a little girl, and this had since been her home. Besides her parents, she is survived by eight brothers and sisters, Joseph, John, Frank, Leo, Paul, Regina, Helen and George, all of this city. Nine brothers and sisters are dead, one of them, Felix, who was 19 years of age, passing away from the same disease in June, 1911. Miss Peck was a most lovable young lady, kind and courteous, devoted to her home and members of her family, and to them her loss comes as a heavy blow, as it is also to other relatives.

The funeral will be held from St. Peter's Catholic church, Rev. S. A. Elbert officiating, at 8 o'clock Friday morning.

ALMOND MAXFIELD.

Almond Maxfield, who had been a resident of the town and village of Plover for over 60 years, passed away at his home in that village at 10:45 o'clock last Saturday forenoon. He had been in poor health all summer, being under the care of his physician since early fall and was confined to the house about two months.

Mr. Maxfield was a native of New Hampshire, born Nov. 5, 1829, and was therefore 83 years of age. He came west in 1840 with his parents, locating at Janesville, and thence to Plover in 1850, living on a farm near the Morrill school house until about 25 years ago, when he moved to the village and operated a general store for a number of years. He was married to Miss Elizabeth Rice 51 years ago last June, and by whom he is survived, together with four children, Mrs. Wm. Dake of this city, Mrs. Chas. Whitcomb of Minneapolis, Mrs. Wilmot Pierce of Stanley and Julian Maxfield of Plover, besides one sister, Mrs. John Patterson of Plover.

The funeral took place Monday afternoon at 2:30, Rev. Kendall of Buena Vista officiating, with interment in Plover cemetery. All the children, with their wives or husbands were present. The pallbearers were H. N. Warner, Jas. W. Pierce, Wm. Calkins and Byron Rogers. Mrs. Maxfield will go to Stanley to spend the winter with her daughter, Mrs. Pierce.

SOCIETIES AND CLUBS

Results of Elections in Various Fraternal and Social Organizations of Stevens Point.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.

The newly elected officers of Phoenix Lodge, No. 33, Knights of Pythias, chosen last Friday, are:
Chancellor Com.—A. Rohrer.
Vice Chancellor—M. Whitney.
Prelate—C. E. Emmons.
K. R. and S. and M. of F.—J. Duval.
M. of E.—A. M. Copps.
Master at Arms—S. Winiarski.
Master of Work—F. E. Noble.
Inner Guard—R. Junchen.
Outer Guard—H. Vetter.

CATHOLIC FORESTERS.

The newly elected officers of St. Stephen's Court No. 258, Catholic Order of Foresters, are as follows:
Chief Ranger—D. I. Sickelsteel.
Vice Chief Ranger—R. A. Oberlatz.
Past Chief Ranger—P. J. Jacobs.
Rec. Sec.—Alex N. Berens.
Fin. Sec.—M. J. Mersch.
Treasurer—J. W. Dunegan.
Speaker—L. J. Pasternacki.
Trustees—F. M. Glennon, V. S. Prais, M. W. Carpenter.
Delegate to state convention—D. I. Sickelsteel.
Alternate—F. J. Blood.

EQUITABLE FRATERNAL UNION.

Equitable Fraternal Union, No. 35, has elected officers as follows:
President—Otto Reinke.
Vice President—C. M. Chapman.
Advisor—Walter Voigt.
Secretary—Ellen E. Nelson.
Treasurer—H. H. Pagel.
Warden—Emma Reinke.
Inside Guard—C. T. Gunderson.
Trustees—H. H. Pagel, 3 years; C. T. Gunderson, 2 years.

BRANCH 123, C. K. OF W.

Branch No. 123, C. K. of W., held its annual meeting last Sunday and made the following selections for the coming year:

President—Henry Harig.
Vice President—Martin Neuberger.
Rec. Sec.—Edwin Miller.
Fin. Sec.—Florian Englebert.
Treasurer—Michael Walter.
Marshal—John Bahlge.
Flag Carrier—Peter Rose.
Trustee, 3 years—Ignace Colby.

BEAVER QUEENS.

The newly elected officers of Beaver Queens are as follows:
Past Worthy Queen—Anna Herman.
Most Worthy Queen—Kate Karner.
Worthy Princess—Mary Duggan.
Worthy Princess—Mary Field.
Secretary—Mary Burns.
Treasurer—Elie Fulton.

RHINAE CLUB.

The Rhinae club elected officers as follows:
Grand Rhinae—Wm. Sax.
Vice Grand Rhinae—Carl Oertel.
Right Kickem—Robert J. Lutz.
Left Kickem—John Lutz.
Scribbler—Wm. Hoerter.
Money Bags—Carl Haase.
Ex-Rhinae—R. B. Smiley.
Grand Explorer—Andy Anderson.
Scrutinizer—Carl Cadman.
Chef to H. R. H.—John Zimmer.

WOMAN FORESTERS.

The newly elected officers of St. Cecilia's Court, No. 185, Woman's Catholic Order of Foresters are:
Chief Ranger—Miss Mary Tack.
Vice Chief—Mrs. Mary Scholl.
Rec. Sec.—Mrs. Josephine Schantz.
Fin. Sec.—Mrs. Katherine Krembs.
Treasurer—Mrs. Lottie Adams.
Trustees—Mrs. Elizabeth Abb. Mrs. Pauline Gross, Mrs. Lena Herman.
Medical Examiner—Dr. D. S. Rice.

ROYAL NEIGHBORS.

Pine Tree Camp, No. 639, Royal Neighbors of America, has chosen officers as follows:
Oracle—Clara King.
Vice Oracle—Thillie Docka.
Chancellor—Nettie Wells.
Recorder—Mary Burns.
Receiver—Mary Packard.
Marshal—Alice Lane.
Inner Sentinel—Grace Colburn.
Outer Sentinel—Sarah Weinholt.
Manager 3 years—Jennie Johnson.

Fatality in Eau Pleine.

John Wickland of Eau Pleine, aged about 50 years, was thrown from his rig in a runaway accident last Saturday, meeting with both external and internal injuries, and passed away a few hours later. The deceased had lived in Eau Pleine since 1897, was an industrious citizen, and is survived by a widow and two young lady daughters. The funeral took place yesterday.

Summoned by Death.

J. W. Strophe was called to Omro, Tuesday afternoon, by a telegram announcing the death of his sister, Mrs. G. N. Lloyd, which occurred the day before. The remains were taken to Berlin, the former home of the deceased, for interment. Mrs. Lloyd was the oldest daughter of the late Judge and Mrs. Minor Strophe of Plover, and that village was her girlhood home. For some time she had been living with her daughter at Omro.

To Exchange.

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OBITUARY

MRS. JULIA A. WESTON.

Mrs. Julia A. Weston died very unexpectedly at her home, 417 Clark street, at 8 o'clock last Wednesday evening. Mrs. Weston had not been in good health for the past year, but felt no worse when her daughter, Miss Elizabeth, who is employed in the book and stationery department of the H. D. McCulloch Co. store, left home after the noon hour. The latter returned shortly after 6 o'clock to find her mother lying unconscious. Medical and other assistance was quickly summoned, but to no avail, the patient passing away at the hour above named without regaining consciousness, death being caused by the bursting of a blood vessel in the brain.

Julia A. Prell was a native of Germany, born Aug. 25, 1861, coming to this country with her parents when a little child, and they located at Lind, in Waupaca county, where she lived until her marriage. For a number of years thereafter they lived at different places in that county, including Manawa and Clintonville, and later came to this county, living in the town of Carson for a year or more, but for the past year, Mrs. Weston and daughter had made Stevens Point their home. She belonged to Lillian Hive, No. 14, Ladies of the Maccabees, among whose members, as well as elsewhere, she made many warm friendships.

Only one child survives, Miss Elizabeth, besides five brothers and three sisters, Albert Prell, Phillips; Aug. Prell, Manawa; Fred, Rudolph and John Prell, Waupaca; Mrs. Aug. Stolzmann, Hatton; Mrs. Aug. Clapps, Manawa, and Mrs. Louis Vey, Weyauwega.

Funeral services were held at the home at 9 o'clock Friday morning. Rev. C. R. Montague officiating, and the body was taken on Soo passenger train No. 6 to Weyauwega for interment beside her parents, who passed away some years ago. M. E. Bruce, J. W. Strophe, A. F. Behrendt and Geo. Buchan acted as pallbearers here.

HAVE ENJOYABLE TIME

Open Installation Ceremonies Carried Out Sunday Evening by Division No. 211, Order Railway Conductors.

A number of the members of Division No. 211, Order of Railway Conductors, together with their ladies, as well as Soo officials and employees located in this city and their wives, enjoyed an open installation of the recently elected officers of the order, last Sunday evening, which event took place in the club rooms on the second floor at 1114 Division street. The installation was conducted by W. W. Wade as presiding officer and E. F. Bowen as marshal, and at the conclusion thereof all repaired to the Majestic Hotel, where at 8 o'clock a sumptuous five course dinner was served, covers being laid for fifty-eight. The banquet was followed by a couple of enjoyable hours, Mr. Wade acting as toastmaster, and responses were made by several of the gentlemen present, while vocal and instrumental selections were given by Geo. J. Smalley. The event was a most enjoyable one in all respects, bringing back to memory the good old times of years gone by, before the headquarters of Division No. 211 were temporarily taken to Abbotsford, and when its

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members, including Webster, Bowen, Minnebeck, Gavin, Walters and several more whose names we do not recollect, some dead, others moved away, while a few are still in the service, were leaders in some of the most elaborate social functions ever successfully carried out in Stevens Point.

OUR MARKETS.

Grain and feed quotations are given us by telephone every Wednesday noon by the Jackson Milling Co. Emil G. Betlach furnishes prices on meats, butter, eggs, etc. E. M. Copps & Co. prices on hay and potatoes. Farmers and buyers can depend upon them.

Rye	4 80
Patent Flour	5 00
Graham Flour	4 50
Rye Flour	4 00
Wheat	90
Rye, 56 pounds	82
Oats	32
Feed	1 10
Brass	1 25
Corn	1 15
Corn Meal	1 30
Butter	27-28
Eggs	26-27

Chickens, old	11-12
Chickens, spring	12-13
Turkeys	18-20
Lard	15
Hams	20
Mess Pork	22 00
Mess Beef	15 00
Hogs, live	8 00-7 00
Hogs, dressed	8 00-8 50
Beef, dressed	3 50-4 00
Beef, live	8 00-8 50
Hay, timothy	12 00-14 00
Potatoes	28-30

TOILET REQUISITES

Quadruple Extracts
Colognes and Sachets
Toilet Waters
KREMB'S
DRUG STORE

Christmas Suggestion

START a Bank Account for your son or daughter and assist them during the year of 1913 to save. By so doing your can watch the child develop into a good financier as well as the bank account grow.
\$1.00 starts an account.

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Special Bargains

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Another Week of Rousing Values

For bargain-sharing traders. We try to make each succeeding special sale more profitable to buyers. The better these special bargains are for you, the better they are for us. The more bargains we give, the more trade we get. The statement for this week's economical shoppers is as follows:

Ladies' Coats, Furs, etc.

Ladies Silk Plush Coats, worth \$20, for this special Christmas week.....\$14.95
Ladies' Plush Coats, worth \$15, at this special Christmas week..... 9.95
Ladies' Cloth Chinchillas and Carakol, from 5.98 to 9.00
Fur Sets.....from 4.98 to 12.00
Muffs.....from 2.98 to 5.00
Shawls and Fascinators.....from 23c to 1.25
Comforters.....from 98c to 2.00
Aviation, in all colors.....48c
A 50c Way Muffler.....for 25c
A large assortment of Ribbons, in all widths and colors.....from 2c to 25c
Silk Scarfs.....from 48c to 98c
Handkerchiefs.....from 5c to 23c
Lace Collar and Cuff Sets—a great bargain, at 48c and 65c

A large line of Ladies' Felt Slippers, 48, 75, 98c
Lace Bed Spreads, and Pillow Shams to match—a splendid Christmas gift for a housewife.....per set, \$2.85
Table Cloth, by the yard, from 35c to 75c
Hem-stitched Table Cloth, from \$1.65 to \$2.50
Lunch Cloths.....48c to \$1.50

Napkins, per dozen.....98c to 2.50
Towels.....from 9c each to 50c

Men's and Boys' Clothing

Men's Overcoats.....from \$4.98 to \$10.00
M-n's Blue Serge Suits..... 9.95
Men's Brown Worsted Suits, worth \$8.50, 5.98
Boys' Suits in Blue Serge mixtures and Worsteds, size 8 to 16.....from 2.00 to 4.75
Men's Overshirts, in wool.....from 98c to 2.00
Men's Union Suits.....from 98c to 2.25
Men's heavy Kersey Pants, all sizes.....1.65
Men's Christmas Sets, consisting of suspenders, garters and arm bands.....per set, 65c
Men's Four-in-hand Ties, worth 50c.....now 35c
Men's 25c ties.....for 19c
Men's fancy leather Slippers, in tan or black, worth \$1.50, special for Christmas week, 1.15
Men's Mittens and Gloves.....from 23c to 1.50
Men's and Boys' Caps.....up to 39c
Men's Fur Caps.....from 2.00 to 2.45

Toys sold at 50c on the Dollar

THE LEADER--422 Main Street

FARM FOR SALE—Consisting of 160 acres, near Amherst Junction, 95 acres under cultivation, balance timber and marsh; two big barns, four sheds, granary and dwelling house. The farm is located one mile from Amherst Junction, between Lake Emily and Green Bay tracks, best of soil, no stone. Joseph Staltz, Amherst Junction, Wis. d18m3

FOR SALE—Registered Poland China Boar, No. 181551, one and one-half years old; large, broad, gentle and a sure breeder. Will be sold reasonable, as I have no further use for it. Call on or address Richard Doyle, Custer. Farm four miles northeast of Custer.

CAMPBELL Country Printing Press in good condition for sale at a bargain. If you want it for almost your own price and a possible discount, address The Gazette, Stevens Point, Wis.

GENERAL STORE AT AMHERST—Bartel Johnson offers for sale his general merchandise business on Mill street, village of Amherst. A rare chance for someone desiring to engage in prosperous business. Correspondence solicited, or call and see me. B. Johnson, Amherst, Wis. tf

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY—A prosperous general merchandise business for sale. Owner wishes to retire. Fine chance for some hustler. Particulars at The Gazette office. tf

SALESMAN or woman wanted to take charge of the sale of a ready selling household article in Stevens Point. Call at The Gazette office. tf

FOR SALE—House, barn and 2 lots; a nice home and location; beautiful large elm shade trees and best of all, a firstclass neighborhood. M. H. Ward, 806 Clark street. tf

FOR SALE—Seven room house, 222 North Division street, corner Briggs. Two blocks from Normal. If interested inquire of or write Carl T. Gunderson, 803 Clark street. tf

FOR SALE—Residence property at 502 Franklin street can be bought at a bargain. Call at once or telephone 54. tf

FOR RENT—My store building on N. Second street, or will sell the entire property at a bargain. See me at once or address me at Neenah, Wis. Jas. Quinn. tf

FOR SALE—160 acre farm, 2 miles southeast of Plover, 140 acres clear, balance wood land; house, stone cellar. Very large barn, granary and other buildings; wind mill. Farm all fenced in 20 acre lots. Fine potato and stock farm. For price and other information see or address J. J. Heffron, 313 Clark street, Stevens Point, Wis. tf

Just received, new Norway herring at Chas. A. Hamacker's. w2

Ralph Rowe went to his old home at Waupaca, Tuesday, for a brief visit.

Anseo cameras from \$2.00 up, at Martin & Co.'s, 114 S. Third street. 2

Call and see the bargains I have in strained honey. Chas. A. Hamacker.

Dolls, dolls, all kinds, from 1 cent to \$10.00, at Martin & Co.'s, 114 S. Third street. w2

Mrs. W. O. Lamoreux has returned from a visit of several weeks with her sister in Minneapolis.

Miss Emma Plateau of Dancy came down the last of the week to visit in the city for a few days.

If you want to make some fine salted peanuts, buy those raw Jumbo peanuts at Chas. A. Hamacker's, phone 76.

Mrs. E. H. Joy left here last Sunday for St. Louis to spend the holidays with her mother and other relatives.

Chas. Wilson, a member of the St. Paul Daily News staff, spent Sunday and Monday at his old home in this city.

The celebrated Victor victrolas, a most appropriate Christmas present, from \$15 to \$200, at Reton Bros. & Co.'s.

L. Peterson, supervisor of the village of Rosholt and proprietor of the Rosholt Hotel, was a visitor to the city on Saturday.

Buy Gold Medal flour and get a set of Rogers' silverware free. Coupons attached to the outside of every bag of Gold Medal flour. tf

A box of cigars would be a very nice Christmas present for your men friends. A select assortment can be obtained at Burley's.

Miss Florence Curran, who had been filling an office position at Janesville since last spring, is now visiting friends in Milwaukee.

Detachable gold handled umbrellas for both ladies and gentlemen. A handsome Christmas present to buy. At Reton Bros. & Co.'s.

The latest Edison phonograph makes a fine Xmas present. It has the new diamond point speaker. At Martin & Co.'s, 114 S. Third street. w2

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Law of Neenah were guests at the home of their son, Charles, at the Wisconsin River Paper & Pulp Co. mills for a few days.

E. A. Arenberg, the jeweler, wishes to especially call the attention of holiday buyers to his elegant line of coffee percolators and chafing dishes. The finest and richest makes and designs.

Wilnot Pierce arrived here last Sunday from Stanley and went to Plover to attend the funeral of his father-in-law, Almon Maxfield. Mr. Pierce is a leading druggist in the northern town.

Peter Guth of Buena Vista left here on Tuesday morning's Soo train for Brookville, Florida, where he will inspect a land proposition and may decide to invest in a tract of southern soil.

Louis Goldberg and bride, who were married in Milwaukee one week ago last Sunday, are now at the residence of the latter's sister, Mrs. Max Wirth, having abandoned their wedding trip to the far west for the present.

Miss Susie Wilson, who has been at the home of her sister at Ottawa, Ill., for several weeks, the latter having submitted to a serious operation from which she is slowly recovering, returned to the city Monday morning.

Call and get my prices on mixed nuts. Chas. A. Hamacker. w2

The famous Lowney candies, recognized as the choicest made, at Burley's. Buy your candies, nuts, apples, figs, dates and cranberries for Christmas at Chas. A. Hamacker's. w2

Protect your furs in one of the Tennessee red cedar chests. See them in the window. Rosenow's.

In framed pictures we have a choice lot on display. See them before buying. Martin & Co., 114 S. Third street. w2

If you want a new hat for Christmas, call at Ceary's, 440 Main street, and take advantage of the bargains offered there.

The Tete-a-tete Club was entertained Saturday evening by Mr. Lucile Kenefick at the home of her grandmother, Mrs. W. J. Clifford.

Rev. and Mrs. C. R. Montague spent Monday and Tuesday at Rosendale, Fond du Lac county, where the gentleman officiated at a wedding.

Call for the Pagel Milling Co.'s fresh ground buckwheat flour. Ground by electric power. It is as good as the old fashioned, made on stones. w4

Rev. A. Forisak of Mill Creek boarded Tuesday morning's train for Menasha and will also visit at Green Bay and Milwaukee before his return.

Remember that Burley's is headquarters for cigars and pipes. All are bought in large quantities, obtained at special prices, and customers are favored accordingly.

We especially call your attention to our stock of diamonds, which is noted for the choiceness of its selection and its correct prices, when quality is considered. E. A. Arenberg.

Henry Curran, now a postoffice inspector with headquarters in Plattsburg, N. Y., arrived the first of the week to spend the holiday vacation with friends at the old home.

Mrs. E. F. Cogan of Des Plaines, Ill., a suburb of Chicago, came up the last of the week to visit Mr. and Mrs. M. Cassidy, Miss Mary Cassidy and other friends for a short time.

Wm. H. Norstrant will leave on Tuesday morning next for Green Bay, Kewaunee and other points in the eastern part of the state to visit with relatives for a couple of weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. C. V. McMillan of Fond du Lac spent the last of the week in this city visiting with the latter's mother and sister, Mrs. J. L. Prentice and Mrs. C. C. Conlisk.

Dr. Walbridge of River Pines Sanatorium went to Milwaukee Tuesday morning for a few days' business and visiting trip. Mrs. Walbridge has also been in Milwaukee since Monday.

Mrs. Geo. Stockley, who recently underwent an operation at St. Mary's hospital, Oshkosh, has returned to her home in this city, and is rapidly recovering her former good health.

Pickles, olives, fresh and canned fruits will be features of the display at Young's new sanitary grocery store, 241 Strongs avenue. Remember the location, in McDonald's brick block.

Next week's issue of The Gazette will be sent out on Tuesday, as Christmas falls upon Wednesday, and we take this opportunity of wishing our readers, one and all, a happy and joyous Christmas.

The late William Ward of Belmont, who died Nov. 17th, was a member of Blaine tent, Knights of the Maccabees, carrying insurance of \$1,000, a check for which amount was received by his widow Dec. 5th.

Miss Nannie R. Gray, a member of the local Normal faculty, underwent an operation at the Dr. Mayo hospital at Rochester, Minn., last week, and there is every prospect of a successful and rapid recovery.

Two former Stevens Point young men, Henry and O. J. Ringness, were chosen as officers of Invincible Tent, No. 14, Knights of Maccabees, at Peoria, Ill., last Friday evening, the former as trustee and the latter as past commander.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Allen and children spent last Sunday afternoon and night at Waupaca. They were accompanied on the return trip next morning by George's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Allen, who were enroute to California for the winter.

Mrs. M. A. Fisk, who has been spending the past few months at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. E. H. Rogers, on Clark street, leaves tonight for the home of her brother-in-law at Aurora, Ill., and may visit at her old home in the east before returning.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bernhagen and young son were here from Eau Claire last Saturday on a shopping trip. Mr. Bernhagen has now fully recovered from a serious illness with typhoid fever and other complications, which laid him up a good part of the summer.

Judge and Mrs. John C. Karel of Milwaukee arrived here Sunday morning and visited for several hours with the gentleman's father at River Pines Sanatorium. The latter's condition shows marked improvement and there is every reason to hope for permanent recovery.

Samuel and Robt. Dimmick, who have been employed as stonecutters by the Milwaukee Sandstone Co. in this city since last spring, left for their former home at Lester, England, last Saturday, intending to remain there until spring, when they will return to Stevens Point.

Thos. Hackett, a former resident of this city, but now of Santiago, Cal., and whose health has been precarious for the past couple of years, is now very much improved and is quite active for his years. Mrs. Hackett is a sister of Mrs. A. Derosier of McDill and John Boursier of this city.

Grand Rapids Reporter: Messrs. Earle Pease, Guy O. Bahcock, Chas. F. Kellogg, Wm. F. Kellogg, O. T. Houghton, Tom Taylor, E. W. Ellis, F. E. Kellner and A. U. Marvin of Nekeosa attended the Masonic Chapter at Stevens Point Friday night, when Mr. E. W. Ellis took the Royal Arch degree.

A play that deserved far better patronage than it received, was "The White Sister," which appeared at the Grand last Friday evening, portraying a mighty struggle between love and religion, in which the latter proved the stronger and won. The Gazette cannot say too much in behalf of the play and the company that presented it, and bespeaks for them large audiences wherever they may appear.

A Tennessee red cedar chest will make a most useful Christmas present. Rosenow's.

We can please you in cut glass and hand painted china at Martin & Co.'s, 114 S. Third street. w2

Mrs. E. A. Oberweiser went to Menasha this morning for a brief visit among relatives and former neighbors.

W. A. Gething will exhibit three Airedale canines at a dog show to be held at Hotel La Salle, Chicago, next Saturday.

L. J. Pierson, manager of the Milwaukee Sandstone Co., has gone to Milwaukee to remain until after Christmas with his family.

All trimmed hats are being sold at bargain rates at Ceary's, 440 Main street. The sale is being held now and will continue until Christmas.

Mrs. E. H. Schulhof of Superior is visiting at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Franz J. Krembs, and will remain for the balance of the week.

A specialty of breakfast cereals will be made by Young's Grocery, the new sanitary store at 214 Strongs avenue. An inspection of his complete line is invited.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Angelo, assisted by G. L. and Miss Anna Park, entertained the Progress club at the home of the first named couple last evening, and a most delightful time was had.

Aug. A. Boyer has returned from an extended western trip in the interests of the Columbia Shoe Co. of Sheboygan and reports prosperous conditions in Minnesota, Iowa and the Dakotas. He will remain at home for the holidays.

Geo. C. Stockley went to Oshkosh last Sunday for a short visit with his wife, who has been receiving treatment at St. Mary's hospital. The Misses Isla, Gertrude and Georgia Stockley also spent Saturday with their mother.

Ed. Quigley, who now lives on a homestead near Kennedy, Price county, had been spending a few days among old friends in town. He came here more especially to visit with his sister, Mrs. E. F. Cogan of Chicago, who was a guest at the Cassidy homes.

Gilbert Atkins came home this week to spend the holidays with the members of his family. Gilbert is traveling representative for the Jung Shoe Co. of Sheboygan, his territory including portions of Indiana, Ohio and Michigan, and he reports business very good in his line.

Henry E. Polley, a student at the local Normal several years ago and now principal of the Read school at Oshkosh, was operated upon for appendicitis last Sunday. The appendix was found to be broken and for several hours Mr. Polley's condition was serious, but he is now believed to be almost out of danger.

While playing "shinny" at his home in the town of Almond last Wednesday, Johnnie, the nine year old son of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Burns, was struck in the eye with the small block of wood used in this game and for several days it was thought the sight might be destroyed. The boy was brought to this city and attended by Dr. Bird, who found quite a gash in the eyeball but has good hopes of bringing the lad out all right in due time.

Prompt delivery service will be a feature of Young's Grocery, 214 Strongs avenue.

A single moth will damage your furs more than the price of a Tennessee cedar chest. Rosenow's.

A sale of trimmed hats is being held at Ceary's millinery store, 440 Main street, from now until Christmas.

The examination of Mrs. A. Lampe, charged with abortion, is being held before Judge Murat this afternoon.

Wm. O'Keefe, one of Buena Vista's prosperous residents and good citizens, attended to business matters in town today.

Anton Literski has been confined to his home, 515 Normal avenue, for the past few weeks, and is still unable to get about.

Miss Elsie Smithies of Wausau, a former member of the High school faculty in this city, spent the week-end with friends here.

Myron Harshaw, who is now doing law work for a big corporation in Chicago, was up to spend Sunday among friends in this city.

Miss Ramona Pfiffner is at home from the state university at Madison, leaving a week earlier than the regular vacation time on account of not feeling well.

Miss Frances Dickerson left for her home at Oshkosh this forenoon after spending several days at the G. K. Mansur and F. A. Walters homes and with other friends in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Lickteig left on this morning's west bound train for a holiday visit among relatives. Mr. Lickteig goes to Omaha, Neb., and his wife will spend a couple of weeks at Austin, Minn.

Mr. and Mrs. Justin N. Boyington and daughter, Miss Celia, of Rockford, Ill., will arrive in the city tonight to spend the holidays with the gentleman's sisters, Mrs. V. P. Atwell and Miss Ella Boyington.

Rev. H. J. Ehr, pastor of St. Joseph's Catholic church, has been quite ill with bronchitis and confined to his bed for the past week. There is a slight improvement in his condition today, it is a pleasure to note, and all friends hope for his speedy recovery.

O. A. Young will be ready for business tomorrow morning at his new grocery in McDonald's brick block, 214 Strongs avenue. The store will be kept absolutely sanitary and the display and sale of pure food is guaranteed. He invites your inspection and assures prompt delivery of purchases.

W. R. Ruff, who is now employed by the Hicks Car Co. at Chicago Heights, Ill., will come up tonight to attend the wedding of his daughter, Miss Winifred, to Dr. Smiley. Other guests from out of town will include Miss Sadie Kopman of Wausau, Mrs. O. H. Spude of Neenah and a number of the groom's relatives from Waupaca county.

Writing from Tacoma, Wash., under date of Dec. 15th, Mrs. J. D. Lytle says: "We enjoy the home paper. It is like getting a letter from home. We are having nice warm weather, with very little rain thus far in December. Mr. Lytle is still with the Milwaukee & Puget Sound railway, and has a Gray's Harbor run at present. He is real well and enjoys his work."

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REVENGE

Her Better Nature Conquered

By CLARISSA MACKIE

After it was all over and he was home again Willoughby Jones Derrick stretched himself comfortably before his own hearthstone and agreed that it had turned out very well indeed—exactly as he had planned.

Mrs. Silvester had worn the yellow roses he had sent. He had reckoned on her looking especially well at the Pousonby dance, but she had been actually beautiful—her charming little figure gowned in pompadour silk, and above her soft black eyes gleamed that crown of silvery white hair which distinguished her among the other women of her set—and uncertain age.

At just the right moment—when she was slightly bored with the commonplaces of the ballroom, when the first favor of the dancing had departed—he had rescued her from the idiotic attentions of a worshipping youth and carried her off to a secluded nook in the conservatory which he had previously marked for the purpose.

Here, amid the tinkle of fountains and the splash of goldfish in the marble basins, with now and then a lulling murmur of music from the distant ballroom, amid the heavy scent of exotic flowers and the pure fragrance of countless roses, Willoughby solemnly and somewhat heavily, as became a Jones-Derrick, asked Lucia Silvester to marry him.

The result of this was that when they parted a few hours later Lucia was wearing beneath her little white glove the engraved emerald which was the traditional engagement ring of the Jones-Derricks and Willoughby had her promise that in the approaching Indian summer they would be married.

All this had been the result of careful planning and almost painful forethought on the part of Willoughby Jones-Derrick. He had lived forty-nine years of his life in the firm determination to die a bachelor. He loved too well the luxury of living for himself alone to share his liberal income with a wife who at best might shine brilliantly at costly entertainments and deplete a fortune which was ample for a prudent bachelor.

And in his fiftieth year his business agent reported that those sources whence came his inherited income were in danger of total elimination, even now were divided by one-half, and there was no escape from the impending doom of poverty except a good marriage. The impending doom was a secret between Willoughby and his agent. The idea of the good marriage was Willoughby's own. Quietly he had gone about it, and the result was most gratifying. There would be no cause for wonderment that the rich clubman should marry one of the richest widows in town.

So the last of the Jones Derricks dreamily consumed several gold tipped cigarettes while he pondered the advantages of the new life that would open when he assumed the responsibility of becoming Lucia Silvester's second husband. It was a very pleasant outlook, for he admired Lucia as much as it was within his power to admire any one save his own punctilious self.

He frowned as he remembered the existence of the child, Annabel Silvester, and smiled when he recollected that little Annabel was safely ensconced in a French convent from which she would not emerge for some time.

Then he dismissed all disagreeable thoughts with a flirt of his cigarette into the grate.

It was quite two weeks afterward that Willoughby Jones Derrick dropped into Mrs. Silvester's for a cup of tea. The drawing room was empty, but bore evidence of recent occupation.

"The ladies will be down immediately, sir," said the obese butler.

Jones-Derrick's brows were elevated for a brief instant and then crumpled into a frown. He had a beastly headache and did not feel like talking to a lot of chattering women; he needed Lucia's low, thrilling voice and quiet presence to charm away his indisposition.

"It's only Miss Annabel, sir," explained Martin discreetly. "She just arrived an hour ago, sir."

Willoughby stared haughtily at the presumptuous maid, and when the broad back had disappeared with undignified haste he transferred his gaze to his hat.

He felt that this unexpected intrusion of little Annabel would prove an obstruction to his present happiness. He would impress it upon Lucia that the child should be returned at—

The door closed gently, and he lifted his cold gray eyes and looked straight into the great brown orbs of—Anne Lange, Anne Lange, grown beautiful, her red hair softened to a less objectionable shade than when he had last seen her in a paint stained holland apron. Her creamy skin was guiltless of its powdering of golden freckles and her perfect features rendered more exquisite by the simplicity of her coiffure and the delicate beauty of her gown; the same Anne Lange he had known in Paris, only not the same. The innocent confidence had gone from the eyes, and only hard scorn remained—for him. That contemptuous curl of the lip was for him too. Who would have expected to meet poor little Anne Lange in Mrs. Silvester's drawing room? Certainly not Willoughby Jones Derrick.

He slowly rose to his feet and grasped his hat and came into the desperate clutch of one who holds fast to some firm support. He met the satirical gleam of her eyes with wavering fear in his own.

"Anne—Miss Lange!" he gasped confusedly. She bowed coldly.

A light came to him with startling suddenness.

"You are governess to the little girl, Annabel. That explains your presence here, I suppose?" he said, regaining his self possession with a masterful effort.

She smiled unpleasantly. He had not dreamed that Anne could have looked so vindictively at any one—romantic little Anne! She must have cared for him, indeed, and a thrill of regret stirred him that she could not be for him after all.

"And suppose I am the governess?" she inquired at last, and her beautiful contralto voice caused another thrill within his chill, well ordered interior. "You know I am engaged to Mrs. Silvester?"

She nodded carelessly. "Mrs. Silvester is very particular—very particular indeed," he began assuredly. "I am sure she would not care for a governess who"—He floundered under her scornful glance. "Who had once been engaged to you, who once wore the historic emerald on her plebeian, paint stained hand," she finished mockingly. She lifted one slim white hand and contemplated it thoughtfully.

"I was going to say more than that," he said, indelicate in his turn, and his eyes betrayed the length to which he would go.

"If you said more than that you would lie," she spoke with a calm dignity that set oddly on one so young. "I knew you were here and came down to prepare you for my appearance. Mrs. Silvester shall not know I have ever seen you before unless you force me to tell her. I am not proud of that little episode in my life. I was only sixteen, but I believed in you. Two years is a long time, and now I am a woman. You—Ah, here is mother now."

"Annabel!" Mrs. Silvester's astonishment was blended with laughter and well simulated confusion as she gave her hand to Willoughby.

"Annabel!" squeaked that gentleman pitifully.

Annabel courted mockingly. "Annabel Lange Silvester, who tired of convent life and spent a year in Paris studying art, who tired of art and went back to the convent and who has come home and surprised her dear mamma by being so grown up!"

"Darling, you positively shocked me," murmured Lucia Silvester, caressing the ruddy hair with one plump white hand. "I did not realize you were growing up. I have always thought of you as my little girl. Now I shall keep you hidden till after my wedding," she concluded with an arch smile, at the disturbed face of her betrothed.

Willoughby Jones-Derrick was adjusting his slow moving faculties to this latest order of things.

First, it had been Anne Lange, a ghost out of his respectable past that might rattle its bones unpleasantly to the sound of wedding bells or hush those bells altogether, and this wedding meant his bread and butter—and cigarettes.

Now, it was Annabel, the stepdaughter, who confronted him. Annabel, his prospective stepdaughter, who turned out to have been his fiancée for several delicious weeks and whom he had heartlessly jilted when her youthful charms palled upon him. Even with her promise to forget the past warmth in her lips he wondered whether he could live with her and look on her each day as a slumbering volcano which might burst forth any moment and overwhelm him with the lava of truth. Women were treacherous, and had not a great poet said that "hell holds no fury like a woman scorned?"

"I have been making the acquaintance of Mr. Jones Derrick," said Annabel, with a suddenly sweet smile. "He thinks I remind him of an old friend, and we squabbled over the matter. Now we shall bury the hatchet, shall we not?" She extended her cool hand.

Willoughby grasped it eagerly, and tears of relief almost forced themselves to his fine eyes. "Yes," he said, with the stiff heartiness that was his nearest approach to friendliness.

"I thought mother was all alone, and so I came home to take care of her—girls have such funny ideas," Annabel's voice was honey sweet.

"I have given that right to Mr. Jones-Derrick," smiled Mrs. Silvester over the teapot.

"I will take care of you both," said Willoughby ponderously.

Annabel curled her lips scornfully, and they trembled with the quick words that would unmask the man before her and reveal his utter faithlessness to her mother. But, she thought, perhaps he was not to blame for tiring of her, a mere schoolgirl. Her beautiful mother was nearer his age and taste. Standing there, pale and cold, Annabel saw the lovelight shining in her mother's eyes, noticed the gray threads in Willoughby's thick hair, saw him wince—he was afraid of her. Something that had choked her heart two years ago was suddenly swept away in a warm flood, and this warmth filled her beautiful eyes. She stepped forward and laid her hand on the clasped fingers of her mother and the man.

"Yes, mother, dear, your husband will take care of us—both. Let us all be happy," she said, throwing away all revenge and scorn.

Something hot and glistening fell on Annabel's hand, but her mother's eyes were dry and shining. She did not dare look at Willoughby Jones Derrick.

Divorce in Norway.

It is easier to obtain a divorce in Norway than in any other European country. If a married couple want to part Norwegian law grants a divorce without inquiring into the reason, but as security that the step has been well thought over it provides that a year of separation must intervene between the application and the actual granting of the divorce. The husband and wife have first to apply to a magistrate. He sends them to the conciliation board, and if this body cannot reconcile them they are granted a separation order. At the end of a year the ministry of justice is compelled to make the divorce final if asked to do so by either party. The whole proceedings are very cheap, the cost ranging from about \$1.25 to \$25.—London Standard.

A Mere Trifle Anyway.

An eminent German scientist who recently visited this country with a number of his colleagues was dining at an American house and telling how much he had enjoyed various phases of his visit.

"How did you like our railroad trains?" his host asked him.

"Ach, they are wonderful," the German gentleman replied, "so swift, so safe—generally—and such luxury in all the furnishings and appointments. All is excellent except one thing—our wives do not like the upper berths."—Harper's Weekly

De Quincey and the Census.

De Quincey once had to fill up a census paper, and the set questions puzzled him greatly. He finally managed to characterize his occupation as "writer to the magazines," but when it came to the occupations of his three daughters his troubles began again. At last he put a ring around their names and wrote, "They are like lilies of the field—they toll not, neither do they spin."

Happy Days.

However varied the courses of our life, whatsoever the phase of pleasure and ambition through which it has swept along, still, when in memory we would revive the times that were comparatively the happiest, these times will be found to have been the calmest.—Bulwer Lytton

Except.

Wiggs—After all, life is just a matter of pay your money and take your choice, you know. Diggs—Yes, except when it's a matter of pay your money and take your chance instead.—Judge.

They Went Together.

Tom Meyers was a peddler in a humble way in Chicago, and he and his outfit were well known in the poorer quarters. His wagon was old and rickety, his horse had seen years of service in a street car line, and the peddler was old and feeble as his horse, which, by the way, bore the impressive name of Baron.

Saturday is always a busy day with peddlers, and one very cold Saturday Peddler Meyers had an unusually hard day. As he drove home late in the evening he noticed that Baron looked sick. He gave him a good supper of oats, rubbed him down and then went to his own supper.

An hour later he again visited Baron and found him worse. He applied such remedies as he could, and then, finding that the horse evinced a desire to lie down, he led it out of the stable and up the street.

Around and around the block he led Baron, and in the early morning a policeman found the horse lying on the street and the old peddler by his side with an arm on the animal's neck, and both were dead.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Dogs That Resemble Bears.

It has already been noted by enthusiasts that certain mountain dog shapes and assume attributes resembling those of a bear. Among these dogs the sheep dog of the Pyrenees bears a closer resemblance to the bear than most others. Although he is seldom over twenty inches high, his bones are very massive and his muscles exceptionally developed. His fur is thick, consisting of long, fine, silky hair, either black, dun colored or gray. His head is large and the nose tapering, the eyes small, but sharp and lustrous and his ears always "attentive." The toes and the base of the feet are elongated and flat. The tail is very short or even entirely missing, and by his manner of climbing the abrupt mountain slopes he may easily be mistaken for a young bear.

His Real Need.

"Young Jones says that all that he needs is a start."
"No. What he needs is a self starter."—American Librarian.

He that helps the evil hurts the good.—Socrates.

No Room For Him.

Mrs. Crawford—What's the advantage of a kitchenette apartment? Mrs. Crabshaw—Your husband can't come out in it when you're cooking.—Puck.

Martyrdom of the Bride.

A peculiar and barbaric marriage custom of the Kabyle women of Africa consists in the martyrdom of the bride, who, clad in her wedding finery, stands through an entire morning against a pillar in the village square, her eyes closed, her arms pressed to her sides and with only the narrow base of the column for a foothold, the while a ring of villagers criticise and comment on her appearance.—Argonaut.

Evidence to the Contrary.

"You've had a bad cold in the head, have you, Brooks?" said Rivers. "Well, one good thing about that is that it doesn't make you cough."
Whereupon Brooks, without a word, exhibited the doctor bill he had just received.—Exchange.

Took It as a Compliment.

Magistrate (about to commit for trial)—You certainly effected the robbery in a remarkably ingenious way—in fact, with quite exceptional cunning. Prisoner—Now, yer honor, no flattery, please; no flattery, I begs yer.—London Sketch.

A Domestic Jar.

"I might have married a millionaire," declared Everywoman. "One of my old schoolmates is now one."
"And several of your schoolmates are working right in this town for \$10 a week," retorted Everyman, "while one of them is in jail. I guess in marrying a chap getting \$1,500 a year your average is fairly good."
And then Everybody set up a howl, and they had to stop quarrelling to attend to him.—Pittsburgh Post.

A Broken Cup.

Signora Veronelli (seeking a servant)—Why were you sent away from your last place?
"Because I broke a coffee cup."
"Was that the only reason?"
"Certainly, except that on that occasion my mistress had a little wound on the head."—El Riso.

What Saved Him.

Miss Oppen—I will never marry you, Denkeisen—Oh, heavens, I would blow my brains out if we were not in the midst of the busy season and I have so much to do!—Ellegende Blatter.

Knew the Symptoms.

Young Wife—My sweetest, darling, best hearted hubby! Hubby (resignedly)—All right, spring it. I am prepared for the worst.—Mergendorfer Blatter.

A Thackeray Dedication.

A doctor who achieved literary immortality by his refusal of a fee was John Elliotson, who attended Thackeray during a serious illness in 1848. To him in return Thackeray dedicated "Pendennis."

"Thirteen months ago," he wrote, "when it seemed likely that this story had come to a close, a kind friend brought you to my bedside, whence, in all probability, I never should have risen but for your constant watchfulness and skill. I like to recall your great goodness and kindness (as well as many acts of others, showing quite a surprising friendship and sympathy) at that time, when kindness and friendship were most needed and welcome. And as you would take no other fee but thanks let me record them here on behalf of me and mine."

Precedent For "Governance."

Albert VII., archduke of Austria, married Isabella Clara Eugenia, infant of Spain, who brought to him as dowry the sovereignty of the Low Countries, etc. When Philip IV. of Spain ascended the throne in 1621 he took from his aunt the sovereignty of the Low Countries, but left her the title of governess. Her husband died soon after, whereon she took the veil, though still retaining the reins of government. She died at Brussels in 1633, aged sixty-six. Here there is precedent for the use of the word governess when a lady holds the post.—London Notes and Queries.

A Rank Offense.

"May we have the pleasure of your company this evening, colonel?" she asked.

The colonel drew himself up haughtily and replied, with every evidence of offended dignity.

"Madam, I command a regiment."

Neighborly.

Dobbs—So you're living in the country, eh? What kind of neighbors have you? Are they desirable? Hobbs—Desirable! Great Scott! We haven't a thing they don't desire, especially in the way of gardening implements.—New Orleans Picayune.

The Wind Month.

November was called by the ancient Saxons the wind month, or wind month, on account of the gales then prevalent. It was also named the blot month, or blood month, from the ancient practice of then slaughtering cattle for the winter provisions.



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